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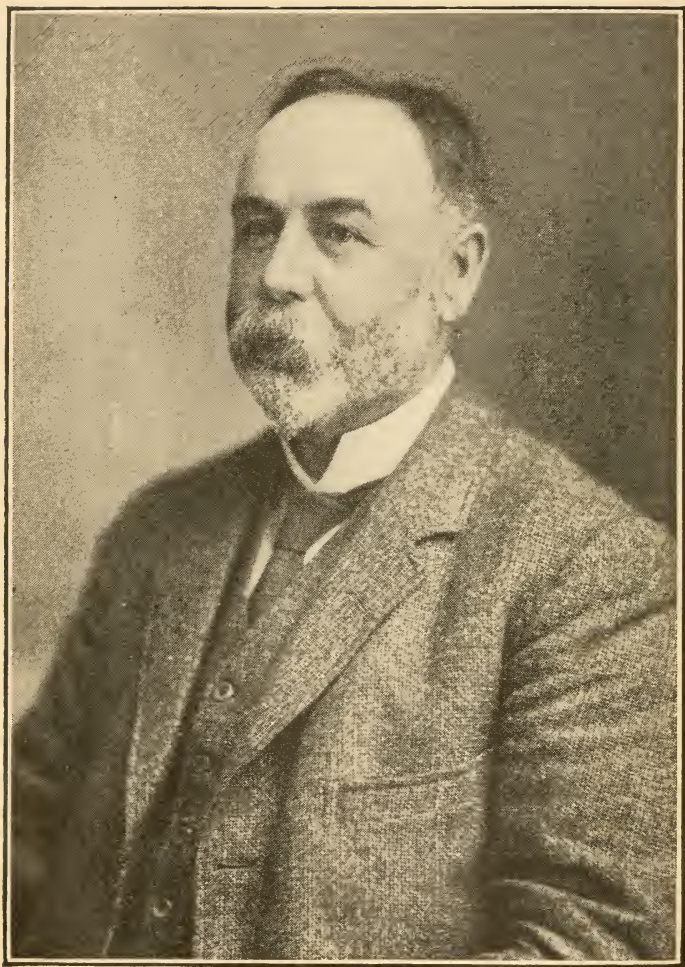
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Foreword

In presenting the 1915-16 SOCCER GUIDE to the lovers of the kicking game in the United States, the editor must first extend his congratulations to the United States Football Association for the wonderful progress it has made in bringing all of the various elements in the game into hearty cooperation, and to the local football organizations of the country in having so loyally aided and supported their national government. As a result of all this, it can safely be said that soccer was never in such a healthy state, nor has it ever shown such an impetus in gaining new followers and admirers. It has not reached its present eminence without opposition from the outside, and there have been times when it appeared as though the outer enemies had friends and helpers within the organization, but this sort of disloyalty has been pretty well eradicated and the U. S. F. A. can now hold its place with the national governing bodies in other sports, such as the United States Golf Association, the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, the Amateur Athletic Union and kindred bodies.

How this great progress has been achieved is told in the following pages in articles from the pens of the men most conspicuous in bringing matters to their present admirable status.

We would like to call the attention of the officers of the various state and district organizations to the article herein by Mr. George Healey, president of the Michigan State Soccer Association, especially with reference to the wonderful work that organization has accomplished in developing soccer in the public schools. The very best work that can be done toward the development of the game is to get it into the public schools, where the boys can learn it in their formative stage, and once they have learned the game, their fondness for it will exist beyond their school days and they will develop into excellent timber for championship organizations. If all of our State associations would take the same interest shown by the men of Michigan, it would be but a little while before soccer would be as great a winter game in the United States as it has ever been in England.

Attention is directed to the review of the National Challenge Cup competition, under the auspices of the United States Football Association, for this is the real standard of merit in soccer. It is the only competition by which the question which must always be of supreme interest to soccerites, which is the champion football team of the United States, can be settled. Last year it had practically every first-class football team in the country in it, and it is expected that the very few which remained out of the 1914-15 competition will enter the one to be contested the coming winter and spring.

Soccer in Europe has been brought to something of a standstill because of the war being waged there, but it has been played by the soldiers of all the contending powers during such lulls as have occurred in the tremendous fighting. On one occasion teams from the German and English trenches met in a match during an armistice and the game was played without rancor and with a compliance with all the requirements of true sportsmanship. When the great war is finally over, it is safe to predict that soccer will be one of the greatest means to bring about a better feeling between the peoples who are now such bitter enemies. It will be through athletic competitions of all sorts, and especially through soccer, which comes closer than all other games to being a universal sport, that the ill-feeling and ugliness which will be natural heritages of the war, will be most quickly swept away, and men who are now desperately seeking each other's lives will be able to forget they ever were blood foes in the hope of winning or staving off defeat on the football field.

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The Associations are reminded of the following articles, resolutions of congresses of laws of the game:

Without the consent of the Federation football shall not be entertained between its members and associations, clubs or persons, which are not members of an Association recognized by the Federation. Associations and clubs in membership with the Federation must not permit clubs or teams not recognized by the Federation to play on their grounds.

Each National Association must inform the other National Association concerned when consent has been given for matches applied for.

Each Association shall forward to the Secretary-Treasurer and the other affiliated Associations their official organ, handbook and important communications. (Vienna, 7/8 June, 1908.)

The officers of the Federation and of its members (countries) shall send and receive correspondence from the territory of another Association relating to disputes only by the official authorities of such an Association. (Dresden, 4/5 June, 1911.)

In international matches the referee must be selected from a neutral country. (Vienna, 7/8 June, 1908.)

The congress expressed the view that in all matches between clubs of different nationalities, teams should be composed exclusively of players who are bonafide members of such clubs. ((Stockholm, 30 June/1 July, 1912.)

Competitions opened to different nations can only be played between clubs, associations or nations. Scratch teams can only compete with clubs or teams representing associations or nations with the special consent of all the competing teams, the associations concerned and the F. I. F. A.

Each affiliated Association must have in its code a rule forbidding and punishing breaches of this regulation. (Stockholm, 30 June/1 July, 1912.)

In international matches, the dimensions of the field of play shall be: maximum length, 120 yards; minimum length, 110 yards; maximum breadth, 80 yards; minimum breadth, 70 yards; and at the commencement of the game the weight of the ball shall be from 13 to 15 ounces. (Law 1.)

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, F. I. F. A.

AMSTERDAM, September 1, 1915.

BALANCE SHEET, 30TH APRIL, 1915.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
Bank balance 1st May,		Printed matter	fl 77.05
1914	fl 2,293.34	Stamps, telegrams, etc..	68.85½
Subscriptions	481.46½	Sundries	3.00
Sale badges	23.82	Meeting Intern. Board,	
Interest	86.73	13-6-'14	619.19
		Purchase badges	82.20
		Bank balance, 30th	
		April, 1915	2,035.06
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	fl 2,885.35½		fl 2,885.35½

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,
Hon. Sec.-Treasurer.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

1. With regard to the present circumstances, caused by the war, the Emergency Committee decided to postpone the Congress, which was to be held at Brussels.

2. Making use of their power given by Article 10. the Emergency Committee admitted on the 26th August, 1914, to provisional membership

UNIAO PORTUGUESA DE FOOTBALL.
Raul Nunes, Lisbon, T. da Gloria.

3. An application for membership was received from the Liga Uruguaya de Football (Hon. Sec. Rodolfo E. Bermudez, Montevideo, Avenida 18 de Julio, 1484).

AMSTERDAM, 31st May, 1915.

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,
Hon. Sec.-Treasurer.

Making use of the power given by Article 10, the Emergency Committee admitted to provisional membership the Asociacion Uruguaya de Football, Rodolfo E. Bermudez, Montevideo, Avenida 18 de Julio 1484.

AMSTERDAM, September 1, 1915.

C. A. W. HIRSCHMAN,
Hon. Secretary-Treasurer.

COMITE FRANCAIS INTERFEDERAL LEAGUE NATIONAL DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

MR. THOS. W. CAHILL,
126 Nassau Street, New York City.

Paris, July 29, 1915.

DEAR SIR:

I have the most unpleasant duty of telling you that Mr. Charles Simon, president of Comite Francais Interfederal, died gloriously fighting for honor on June 15, in the trenches at Arras.

In closing, dear sir, let me express my deepest sentiments.

(Signed) M. H. DELAUNAY,
Sec'y Gen.

M. H. DELAUNAY,
Sec'y Gen., C. F. I. L. N. F. A.,
5, Place St. Thomas d'Aguin, Paris, France.

New York, August 25, 1915.

DEAR SIR:

It is with extreme regret I learn of the death of the admirable M. Charles Simon, whom I had the great honor of meeting at Stockholm, Sweden, July, 1912, and yet I cannot fail to echo the subdued note of triumph in your announcement that he should have died, if die he must, in so glorious a manner. In death, as in life, he proved himself a worthy son of France and in every sense a man.

With deep respect and high consideration, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,

T. W. CAHILL,
Hon. Secretary United States Football Association.

United States Football Association

INSTITUTED AT NEW YORK CITY, APRIL 5, 1913.

Incorporated under the Laws of State of New York. The Governing Soccer Organization of the United States.

Affiliated with the Federation Internationale de Football Association.

Officers—President, John A. Fernley, Pawtucket, R. I.; first vice-president, Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.; second vice-president, Douglas Stewart, Philadelphia, Pa.; third vice-president, William D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.; treasurer, Archibald Birse, 1008 Schiller Bldg., Chicago, Ill.; ex-president, Dr. G. R. Manning, New York City; Hon. secretary, Thomas W. Cahill, 126 Nassau street, New York City.

COMMITTEES FOR SEASON 1915-16.

National Challenge Cup—Albert W. Keane, William Palmer, Thomas C. Cliff, Joe Booth, Edward P. Duffy.

Appeals—Douglas Stewart, George M. Collins, William D. Love, Andrew M. Brown, Thomas C. Cliff, William W. Davidson.

Finance—William Palmer, Oliver Hemingway.

Olympic—John A. Feruley, Dr. G. R. Manning (ex-president), Winton E. Barker, George H. Kirk, William Cameron, R. S. Burleigh, James Marshall.

National and International Games—John A. Fernley, Andrew M. Brown, W. U. Baird, Richard Bolton, M. F. Kelly, Dr. G. R. Manning (ex-president), Peter J. Peel.

Press—Edward P. Duffy, George M. Collins, Albert W. Keane, Joe Booth, M. F. Kelly, Douglas Stewart, John H. Evans, George Healey.

Re-Instatement—George M. Collins, William D. Love, Joe Booth, George Healey, Oliver Hemingway, William W. Davidson, John H. Evans, R. S. Burleigh.

Rules Revision—W. U. Baird, Richard Bolton, James Marshall, William W. Davidson, Archibald Birse.

The president and secretary are ex-officio members of all committees.

ASSOCIATIONS, LEAGUES AND COMPETITIONS AFFILIATED WITH UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Allied Amateur Cup Competition, Philadelphia, Pa.

American Football Association, Newark, N. J.

California Football Association, San Francisco, Cal.

Chicago and District Association Football League, Chicago, Ill.

Connecticut State Football Association, Bridgeport, Conn.

Michigan Soccer Association, Detroit, Mich.

Missouri Soccer Football Association, St. Louis, Mo.

National Association Football League, Newark, N. J.

New Jersey State Football Association, Newark, N. J.

North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association, Boston, Mass.

Northwestern Association Football League, Seattle, Wash.

Northwestern New York State Football Association, Rochester, N. Y.

Ohio State Football Association, Cleveland, Ohio.

Peel Challenge Cup Competition, Chicago, Ill.

Southern New England Football Association, Providence, R. I.

Southern New York State Football Association, New York City.

The Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District, Philadelphia, Pa.

Utah Association Football Union, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Western Pennsylvania Football Association, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Wisconsin State Football Association, Milwaukee, Wis.

U. S. F. A. NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION FIXTURES.

The following dates have been sanctioned by the National Challenge Cup Competition Committee of the U. S. F. A., season 1915-16:

Qualifying round.....	On or before October 24, 1915
First round.....	On or before November 14, 1915
Second round.....	On or before December 12, 1915
Third round.....	On or before January 16, 1916
Fourth round.....	On or before March 5, 1916
Semi-finals.....	On or before April 2, 1916
Final.....	On or before April 30, 1916

Annual Report of the President

UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

TO THE DELEGATES TO THE 1915 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE U. S. F. A.:

Gentlemen—In presenting my report to you for the season of 1914-15, I wish to congratulate the members of the Council, and also the affiliated Associations, upon the work accomplished; and feel assured that the future for the United States Football Association is full of promise, with every prospect that the season of 1915-16 will be even more successful; and that further progress will be made by us. I wish to impress upon each and every one the importance of a careful perusal of the report tendered by the Secretary of this Association, for it is only by such reading that one can obtain a full and comprehensive grasp of what has been done by this body during the past season. The work of the several committees of the Council has been carried on in a manner which reflects great credit upon the members composing same, and they are to be congratulated upon the able and painstaking way in which the results have been accomplished. While of necessity the decisions given will not have met with the approval of all the parties interested in the matters disposed of, yet it should be the aim of all to accept the findings as being rendered in a fair and impartial manner, and we should be willing to put aside our own personal opinions, accepting the results gracefully, striving only for the good of the cause we have so much at heart. To accomplish our purpose of making "Soccer" football one of the pre-eminent sports of America, to bring our National Association to its rightful place among the leading athletic organizations of the country, requires all of our energies and abilities, and it is only by our willingness to subserve our own personal inclinations to the good of the whole organization that we can hope to attain the position we rightfully should possess. The self-sacrifice and work done by you all during the past year has conduced to greatly improve our standing, and a continuation of same during the coming year will do much to solidify and strengthen the work already accomplished; and it will be but a short time before we shall be able to see the game of Association Football given the recognition which is its due. The work of the National Challenge Cup Committee deserves special mention, inasmuch as they have handled their part of the work with credit to themselves and the association they represent. This department of the Association has advanced to the position where it belongs, and every affiliated association and club should feel elated at the great advance made by this competition during the past season. To increase the number of clubs competing from forty to eighty-two, and to have among these clubs the best talent of the country, meant a great deal to the competition, and determines indisputably the fact that to the winner goes the proud title, "United States Champions." All other cup competitions undoubtedly have their value, and help to sustain the interest in the game, but hereafter we must accord to the "National Challenge Cup Competition" the pre-eminence due to it as the only competition which is national in its character. Your secretary will give you a report on the results of the different rounds, but I wish at this time to extend my congratulations to the winning team. To win this year's competition was a feat worth while, but to win it with the record of the Bethlehem team adds glory to the result. In addition to this, the staging of this year's final game on the splendid grounds of the Lehigh University at South Bethlehem, inside the Taylor Stadium, marks an epoch of advancement gratifying to us all. This Association certainly owes a tribute of praise to the college authorities, and especially its Athletic Board, for their generous assistance and support. To transfer one of its own games so as to enable us to have the use of its field was an act which demonstrates clearly the attitude of this college toward "Soccer" and is but one of the many instances of a like nature. To "Lehigh" we extend our thanks and appreciation. There were so many people who did splendid work in con-



JOHN A. FERNLEY,
Pawtucket, R. I.
President United States Football Association, Season 1915-16.



THOMAS W. CAHILL,
New York,
Secretary of the United States Football Association.



ARCHIBALD BIRSE,
Chicago, Ill.

Treasurer United States Football Association, Seasons 1913-16. Unquestionably
the greatest influence in the upbuilding of soccer in Chicago.



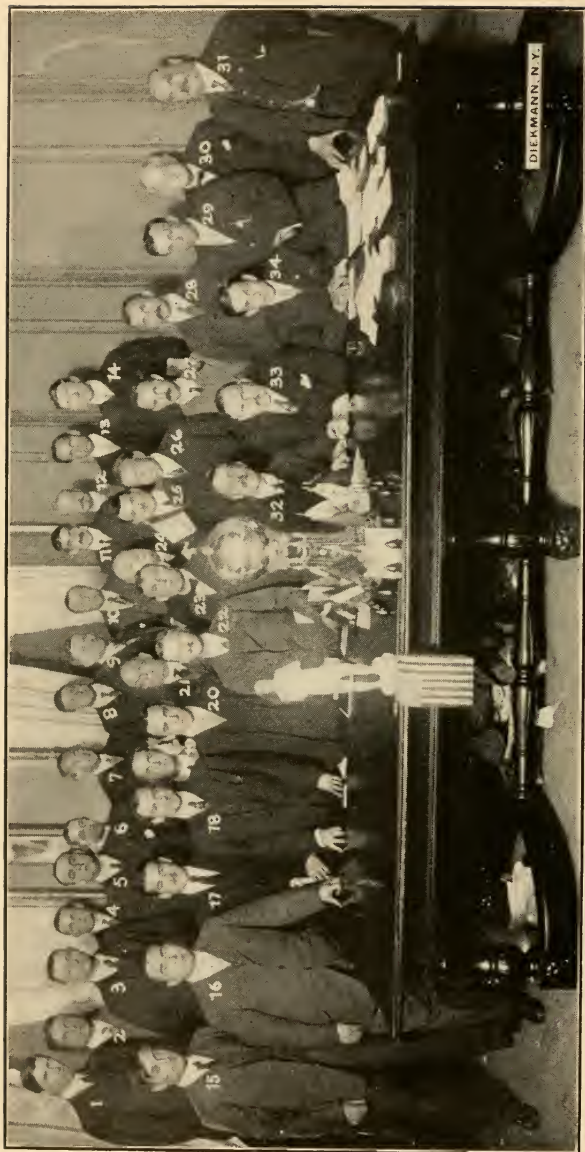
ALBERT W. KEANE,
New Bedford, Mass.

Chairman National Challenge Cup Competition Committee of the United States Football Association. Whose unflinching aid through the formative period of the United States Football Association contributed immensely to the success of the movement in New England.

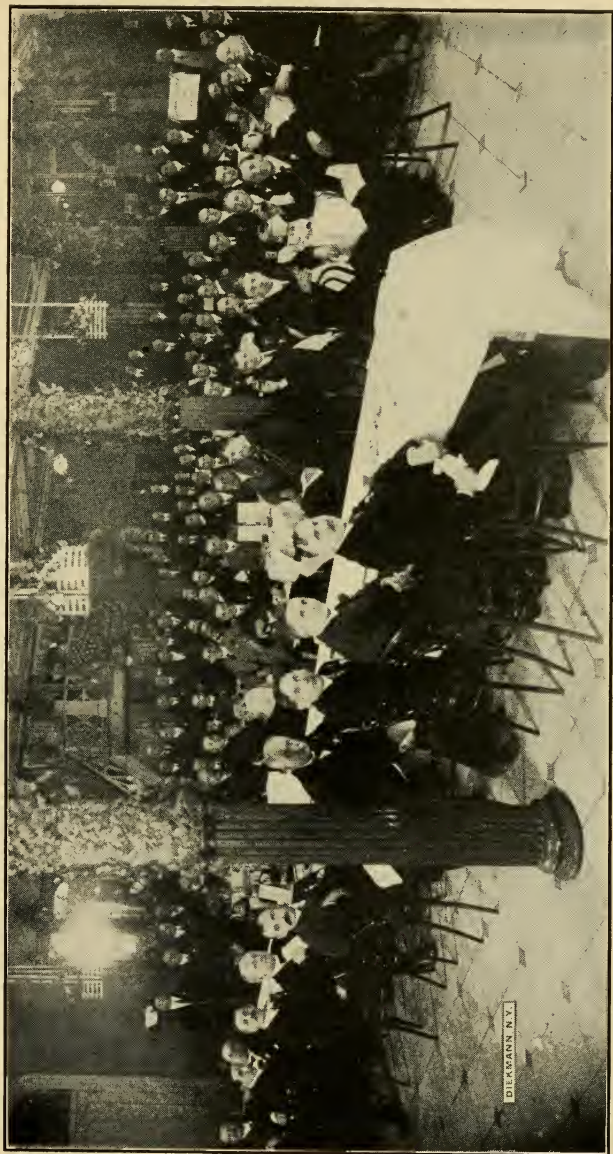


WILLIAM F. GARCELON,
Harvard University,

Ex-Graduate-Treasurer Harvard University Athletic Association; Member Committee on Association Football Rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association; Toastmaster at Annual Banquet of the United States Football Association, at New York, June 5, 1915.

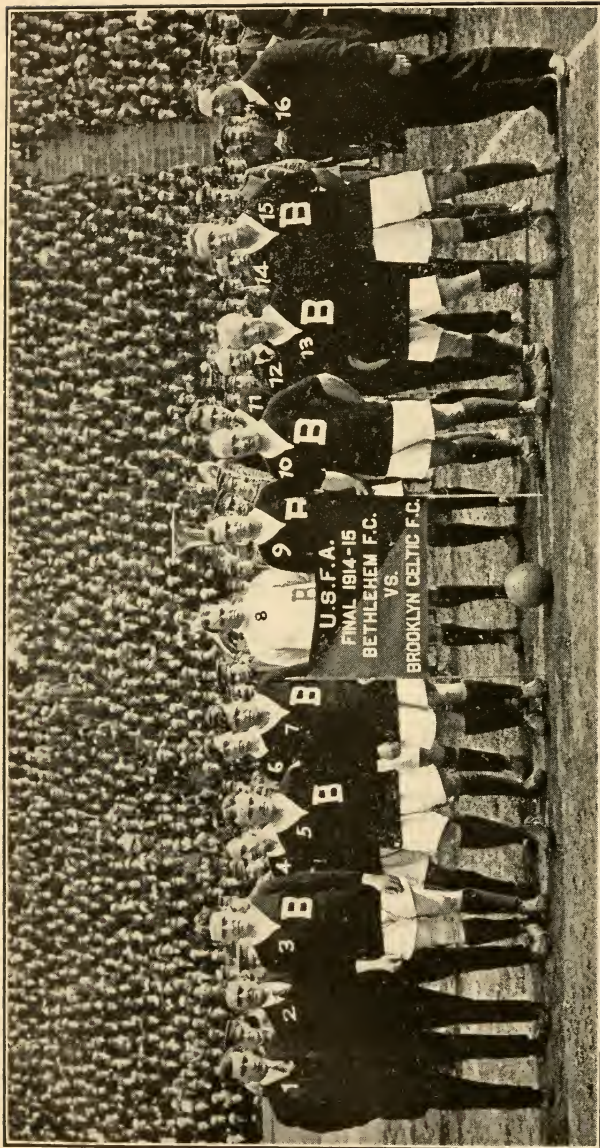


SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, BROADWAY CENTRAL HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, JUNE 5, 1915



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SECOND ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, BROADWAY CENTRAL HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, JUNE 5, 1915.



1, Graham; 2, Lawson; 3, Fletcher; 4, Campbell; 5, Morrison, Capt.; 6, Murray; 7, Ford; 8, Dunean; 9, Ferguson; 10, Pepper; 11, Clarke, 12, Lewis, Mgr.; 13, Fleming; 14, Toole; 15, Millar; 16, Lynn, Trainer.

BETHLEHEM FOOTBALL CLUB, BETHLEHEM, PA.

Soccer Champions of America, 1914-15.

nection with the semi-finals and final, that it is impossible to name them all, but justice demands our publicly commending Mr. Lewis, who did so much to insure the final game's success, and who was indefatigable in his endeavor for the comfort and entertainment of the officials. Splendid progress has marked the course of school and college football during the year, and especially does this apply to the schools of our cities. Never before have there been so many of our school authorities taking the interest in "Soccer" that we see today, and in almost all of our large cities, and in many of the smaller class, we have school competitions and leagues. Boston and its vicinity, with Brockton, Lawrence and other centers, have thousands of young men playing the game; while in Bridgeport and the country under the influence of the Connecticut State Association, there are many others. New York City and its suburbs, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and away out to the Pacific Ocean, all of these are taking up the idea of school boy players, with the resultant effect of a larger public interest and support. This phase of our organization should meet with our wholehearted support, and to those who are fostering its growth we extend our thanks and best wishes for future success. It is a source of extreme gratification to me to know that during the past year we have succeeded in our efforts to bring into the organization the few remaining clubs who at the beginning of the season were not affiliated with us. The efforts of your officials, especially the Hon. Secretary, T. W. Cahill, have resulted in the complete abandonment of factional rivalry in St. Louis and other places, and we trust that such troubles may be a thing of the past, and that we may all accept defeat gracefully when defeat comes, subserving our own personal feelings to the greater good of the organization.

In conclusion, I wish to give expression to the feeling of personal appreciation and regard which I have for the secretary of this Association. The amount of time and effort given to the different sections of the work by him is greater than anyone can figure. To him belongs in a great measure the success of the different committees, for as secretary of each he has the handling of all matters connected therewith. On the Emergency Committee alone the calls upon his time are many, and very rarely does he have a week without traveling to some section of the country in the interests of the game. As stated in the report of the president to the annual meeting in 1914, "special credit is due to the painstaking and ceaseless work of the secretary." I not only indorse this opinion, but feel that this but faintly expresses the debt we owe to his push and energy. To his arduous and persistent efforts can we attribute much of the success attained in the Cup Competition this season, especially in the details connected with the work of the committee in directing the last three games, and those who had the pleasure of attending the games, and who saw the admirable way in which everything was staged, are unanimous in according to him the greater part of whatever credit is due.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. FERNLEY,
President United States Football Association.

Annual Report of the Secretary

UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

TO THE DELEGATES TO THE 1915 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE U. S. F. A.:

Gentlemen—In submitting my annual report for the year ending to-day, June 5, 1915, I wish first of all to congratulate you, and through you the State Associations of which you are the representatives, on the great progress made by our body during the year now ending, its second in national control of Soccer Football. I do not believe that any organization ever formed to foster any sport can point to such solid and substantial growth as has been the result of the earnest labors and sound judgment of the members of this Council. In this connection I would direct your attention to the report of Treasurer Birse.

If I were called upon for recommendations as to a general policy, I could only reiterate what I, and others who have taken a kindly interest in our development have said before, that it behooves us all to see that our National Council be kept truly representative of the State and district organizations and that the right of these State and district organizations to control matters within their jurisdictions be not abridged or crippled in the slightest degree.

In this connection there is one thing I would like to call to the attention of the officers and committeemen of these State and district organizations, and that is that it is the earnest desire of the executive officers of the organization that they meet fairly and squarely the obligations of their positions. Various matters come up about which there are differences of opinion, which are inevitable as long as the human organization remains as it is. These disputes should be settled fairly and without prejudice by the State and district organizations themselves and I am convinced that in nine cases out of ten, decisions satisfactory to all the contending parties can be amicably arrived at. When such agreements are impossible, however, there remains the appeal to the National Organization, provided for in Rule 31, of the Constitution and Rules of the U. S. F. A.

Until such an appeal becomes necessary or desirable by any party to such disputes and misunderstandings, it is useless to open correspondence with the national officers, because they have no jurisdiction whatever. I am moved to this remark by the fact that during the past year the Secretary's office has been deluged with correspondence, fully 75 per cent. of which was unnecessary and futile. The normal duties of the office are heavy in themselves, and the unnecessary labor entailed by correspondence of the sort referred to at times becomes overwhelming. I mention this matter in an appeal to the gentlemen of the State organizations that they bear it in mind. I do not think that anyone will question that I have striven to answer, courteously and completely, all the mail that comes to my office, though I don't think anyone of you fairly realizes the volume this correspondence has reached.

I respectfully submit to you here the statistical record of our year of great progress:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

National Challenge Cup Competition Committee.—Thomas Bagnall, Chairman, 12 North Third Street, Harrison, N. J.; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; Thomas C. Cliff, New York City; John Lone, Kearny, N. J.; William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.; John A. Fernley, President U. S. F. A., New Bedford, Mass. (ex-officio); Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

Appeals Committee.—Thomas C. Cliff, Chairman, 618 Lexington Avenue, New York City; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.; J. G. Barclay, Brooklyn, N. Y.; John Lone, Kearny, N. J.; James Marshall, Kearny, N. J.; John A. Fernley, President U. S. F. A., New Bed-

ford, Mass. (ex-officio); Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

Reinstatement Committee.—John Lone, Chairman (New Jersey District), 38 Maple Street, Kearny, N. J.; D. C. Adamson (Western Pennsylvania), Pittsburgh, Pa.; J. Booth (Connecticut), Bridgeport, Conn.; G. M. Collins (Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire), Boston, Mass.; J. A. Frost (Eastern Pennsylvania), Philadelphia, Pa.; T. McCamphill (Southern New York), Brooklyn, N. Y.; P. J. Peel (Illinois), Chicago, Ill.; G. Ritchie (Southern New England), Providence, R. I.; John A. Fernley, President U. S. F. A., New Bedford, Mass. (ex-officio); Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

Finance Committee.—William Palmer, Chairman, 3321 Mascher Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Oliver Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rules Revision Committee.—Thomas Bagnall, Chairman, 12 North Third Street, Harrison, N. J.; W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.; M. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Wm. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.; Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.; John A. Fernley, President U. S. F. A., New Bedford, Mass. (ex-officio); Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

National and International Games Committee.—John A. Fernley, Chairman, 169 Penniman Street, New Bedford, Mass.; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.; Geo. M. Collins, Boston, Mass.; Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.; John Lone, Kearny, N. J.; Aaron R. Jones, Newark, N. J.; Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

Olympic Association Football Committee.—Dr. G. R. Manning, Chairman, 216 West 100th Street, New York City; Winton E. Barker, Treasurer, 306 Holland Building, St. Louis, Mo.; John Lone, Kearny, N. J.; Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y.; Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.; Thomas C. Cliff, New York City; John A. Fernley, President U. S. F. A., New Bedford, Mass. (ex-officio); Thos. W. Cahill, Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A., Newark, N. J. (ex-officio); Secretary of Committee, Thos. W. Cahill.

Press Committee.—Edward P. Duffy, Chairman, 279 High Street, Newark, N. J.; F. Kelly, New York City.

U. S. F. A. COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Since the general annual meeting of May 30, 1914, the Council has met on three occasions, namely, August 15, October 24, 1914, and February 13, 1915. The expenses attached to these three meetings totaled \$48.00.

NATIONAL CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION COMMITTEE.

The National Challenge Cup Competition Committee held nine meetings during the past season, as follows: August 13, September 17, October 29, November 21, November 28 and December 16, 1914; February 27, March 25 and April 14, 1915. The expenses for the conducting of this Competition and Committee amounted to \$160.93.

The marvelous success with which the National Challenge Cup Competition met is so well known by the delegates that it is quite unnecessary for me to go into details, but instead I will furnish a few facts verifying the statement that the National Challenge Cup Competition for the season 1914-15 was the most successful in the history of Soccer in the United States to date. Eighty-two of the premier soccer clubs of the country entered the competition, representing the following States: New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. Ninety games were played during the course of the competition and more than a thousand players, amateur and professional, participated. Fifty-two thousand nine hundred and thirty-four persons paid admission to witness the cup-ties. The total amount of receipts for the 90 games was \$13,543.35, of which amount the U. S. F. A. received \$1,487.80, divided as follows:

Qualifying round	\$ 7.64
First round proper.....	261.48
Second round	165.58
Third round	283.68
Fourth round	135.02
Semi-finals	284.90
Final	349.50
Total	<u>\$1,487.80</u>

On May 1, 1915, for the first time in the history of soccer in this country, a contest, emblematic of the soccer championship of the United States, was played on a college stadium, Lehigh University (Taylor Field). The contesting elevens were the Bethlehem F. C. and Brooklyn Celtic F. C., the former winning by a score of 3 goals to 1.

The tabulated results of the National Challenge Cup Competition for the season 1914-15, with the names of the officials, are as follows:

QUALIFYING ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

October 18, 1914, at Jersey City, N. J.—Greenville F. C., Jersey City, N. J., 3; Germania F. C., Hoboken, N. J., 1. Referee, John Johnson, Kearny, N. J.; delegate, James Hegan, West New York, N. J.

October 18, 1914, at Paterson, N. J.—Hawthorne United F. C., Paterson, N. J., 9; Haledon Thistles F. C., Haledon, N. J., 1. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.

October 25, 1914, at Newark, N. J.—Clan MacDuff F. C., New York City, 1; Irish-American F. C., Harrison, N. J., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. Reid, New York City.

November 8, 1914, at Bay Ridge Oval, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Our Boys F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 3; Bay Ridge F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, Thomas Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Archie Peebles, Brooklyn, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

October 17, 1914, at Washington Park, Philadelphia, Pa.—Putnam F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 4; Wanderers F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 2. Referee, W. E. Hinds, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, O. Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

October 24, 1914, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Falls Cricket and F. C., Philadelphia, 4; Philadelphia Rangers F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

October 17, 1914, at Castle Shannon, Pa.—Castle Shannon F. C., Castle Shannon, Pa., 4; Swissvale F. C., Swissvale, Pa., 0. Referee, L. Herrington, Pittsburgh, Pa.; delegate, W. S. Haddock, Pittsburgh, Pa.

October 17, 1914, at Homestead, Pa.—Homestead S. W. F. C., Homestead, Pa., 5; Beadling F. C., Beadling, Pa., 1. Referee, F. E. Huish, Pittsburgh, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

October 17, 1914, at Sturgeon, Pa.—Sturgeon F. C., Sturgeon, Pa., 3; Donora S. W. F. C., Donora, Pa., 2. Referee, W. Davidson, Swissvale, Pa.; delegate, R. Palmer, Turtle Creek, Pa.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

October 17, 1914, at Ansonia, Conn.—Academy F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 1; Plainfield F. C., Plainfield, Conn., 1. Referee, James Millar, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

October 24, 1914, at Plainfield, Conn. (Replay).—Academy F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 2; Plainfield F. C., Plainfield, Conn., 1. Referee, James Millar, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Reid McIntyre, Norwich, Conn.

October 24, 1914, at Ansonia, Conn.—Ansonia F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 3; New Haven F. C., New Haven, Conn., 1. Referee, Chas. E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

October 25, 1914, at New Britain, Conn.—Bridgeport City F. C., Bridgeport, Conn., 1; New Britain F. C., New Britain, Conn., 0. Referee, J. S. Thompson, Hartford, Conn.; delegate, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

October 24, 1914, at Lawrence, Mass.—Lawrence F. C., Lawrence, Mass., 3; Andover United F. C., Andover, Mass., 1. Referee, P. G. Darcy, Lawrence, Mass.; delegate, Sam McLerie, Medford, Hillside, Mass.

October 24, 1914, at New Bedford, Mass.—Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence Society F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 4; Boston American F. C., Boston, Mass., 0. Referee, John Dobson, Fall River, Mass.; delegate, A. W. Keane, New Bedford, Mass.

October 24, 1914, at Taunton, Mass.—Taunton City F. C., Taunton, Mass., 3; Worcester F. C., Worcester, Mass., 2. Referee, Robert Gore, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, New Bedford, Mass.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

October 24, 1914, at Greystone, R. I.—Greystone F. C., Greystone, R. I., 4; St. Ronan's, Thornton, R. I., 3. Referee, Harry Wade, Central Falls, R. I.; delegate, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

October 11, 1914, at Cleveland, Ohio.—Thistle F. C., Cleveland, Ohio, 2; Cleveland F. C., Cleveland, Ohio, 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, A. Frank Counts, Cleveland, Ohio.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

October 18, 1914, at Chicago, Ill.—Bricklayers and Masons F. C., Chicago, Ill., 6; Calumet F. C., Chicago, Ill., 2. Referee, George Rodgers, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, George Kirk, Chicago, Ill.

FIRST ROUND PROPER.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

November 8, 1914, Yonkers, N. Y.—West Hudson F. C., Harrison, N. J., 3; Hollywood Inn F. C., Yonkers, N. Y., 0. Referee, George Caldicott, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

November 22, 1914, at Jersey City, N. J.—Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 5; Greenville F. C., Jersey City, N. J., 1. Referee, F. Smith, Newark, N. J.; delegate, M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.

November 22, 1914, at Greenpoint, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Our Boys F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2; Clan MacDuff F. C., New York City, 1. Referee, A. Birschall, Bronx, N. Y.; delegate, W. Reid, New York City.

November 22, 1914, at Tibbets Park, Yonkers, N. Y.—Yonkers F. C., Yonkers, N. Y., 2; Jersey A. C., Jersey City, N. J., 2. Referee, J. Johnson, Kearny, N. J.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

November 29, 1914, at Jersey City, N. J. (Replay).—Jersey A. C., Jersey City, N. J., 4; Yonkers F. C., Yonkers, N. Y., 1. Referee, J. Johnson, Kearny, N. J.; delegate, W. U. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.

November 22, 1914, at Columbia Oval, N. Y.—Cameron F. C., New York City, 0; Hawthorne United F. C., Paterson, N. J., 0. Referee, Thomas Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, H. Lough, Paterson, N. J.

November 29, 1914, at Paterson, N. J. (Replay).—Hawthorne United F. C., Paterson, N. J., 4; Cameron F. C., New York City, 3. Referee, Thomas Cunningham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, H. Lough, Paterson, N. J.

November 22, 1914, at Clark's Field, Newark, N. J.—Scottish-American F. C., Kearny, N. J., 2; True Blues F. C., Paterson, N. J., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, John Watt, New York City.

November 22, 1914, at Paterson, N. J.—Paterson Rangers F. C., Paterson, N. J., 4; New York Celtic F. C., New York City, 2. Referee, George Caldicott, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, D. McGrellis, New York City.

November 22, 1914, at Bayonne, N. J.—Babcock and Wilcox F. C., Bayonne, N. J., 2; Rangers F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, H. P. Davis, New York City; delegate, W. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J.

November 22, 1914, at Manhattan Field, New York City.—Bronx United F. C., New York City, 3; Newark F. C., Newark, N. J., 0. Referee, W. Erskine, New York City; delegate, Charles Burton, New York City.

November 22, 1914, at Lenox Oval, New York City.—German F. C., New York City, 5; Columbia Oval F. C., New York City, 0. Referee, W. Hollywood, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Thomas C. Cliff, New York City.

November 22, 1914, at Harrison, N. J.—Brooklyn F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2; Clan McDonald F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 0. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.

NORTHERN NEW YORK DISTRICT.

November 15, 1914, at Niagara Falls, N. Y.—Rangers F. C., Niagara Falls, N. Y., 4; Rochester City F. C., Rochester, N. Y., 0. Referee, Alfred Laing, Catherine, Ont.; delegate, T. M. Kennett, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

November 14, 1914, at Marcus Hook, Pa.—West Philadelphia F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 2; Viscose F. C., Marcus Hook, Pa., 0. Referee, W. E. Hinds, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, Dr. William Looker, Philadelphia, Pa.

November 14, 1914.—Irish-American F. C., Wilmington, Del., forfeited to Peabody F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., on account of Irish-American F. C. having disbanded.

November 14, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Falls Cricket and F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 2; Kensington Cong'l F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 1. Referee, E. Waldron, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

November 14, 1914, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 7; Putnam F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 1. Referee, George Young, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, John H. Carpenter, Bethlehem, Pa.

November 14, 1914, at Tacony, Pa.—Victor F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 1; Henry Disston & Sons F. C., Tacony, Pa., 0. Referee, J. Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, O. Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

November 14, 1914, at Homestead, Pa.—Homestead F. C., Homestead, Pa., 2; Castle Shannon F. C., Castle Shannon, Pa., 1. Referee, Thomas A. Young, Johnstown, Pa.; delegate, William Davidson, Swissvale, Pa.

November 14, 1914, at Duquesne, Pa.—Sturgeon F. C., Sturgeon, Pa., 2; Burns F. C., Juniata, Pa., 1. Referee, Wilbert Reid, Broughton, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkensburg, Pa. Game protested by Burns F. C. National Challenge Cup Committee ordered game replayed at Juniata, Pa., and Sturgeon F. C. scratched, thereby forfeiting to Burns F. C.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

November 14, 1914, at Bridgeport, Conn.—Ansonia F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 1; Presbyterian F. C., Bridgeport, Conn., 1. Referee, James Millar, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn.

November 21, 1914, at Ansonia, Conn. (Replay).—Ansonia F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 6; Presbyterian F. C., Bridgeport, Conn., 0. Referee, James Millar, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

November 14, 1914, at Ansonia, Conn.—Academy F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 2; Bridgeport City F. C., Bridgeport, Conn., 0. Referee, W. Hollywood, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

November 14, 1914, at Holyoke, Mass.—Fore River F. C., Quincy, Mass., 4; Farr Alpaca F. C., Holyoke, Mass., 2. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, M. Moran, Quincy, Mass.

November 7, 1914, at Lynn, Mass.—General Electric F. C., Lynn, Mass., 3; Lawrence F. C., Lawrence, Mass., 1. Referee, T. Ritchie, Lowell, Mass.; delegate, G. M. Collins, Boston, Mass.

November 14, 1914, at Fall River, Mass.—Fall River Rovers F. C., Fall River, Mass., 6; Taunton City F. C., Taunton, Mass., 0. Referee, E. Pemberton, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

November 14, 1914, at New Bedford, Mass.—Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence Society F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 2; New Bedford F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 0. Referee, John Dobson, Fall River, Mass.; delegate, John A. Fernley, New Bedford, Mass. Game protested by New Bedford F. C. National Challenge Cup Committee ordered game replayed, which resulted as follows:

December 5, 1914, at New Bedford, Mass. (Replay).—New Bedford F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 2; Y. M. C. T. A. S. F. C., New Bedford, 1. Referee, W. E. Dean, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, A. W. Keane, New Bedford, Mass.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

November 14, 1914, at Pawtucket, R. I.—Pawtucket F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 2; J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 2. Referee, H. Wade, Central Falls, R. I.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

November 21, 1914, at Pawtucket, R. I. (Replay).—J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket,

R. I., 3; Pawtucket F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 0. Referee, H. Wade, Central Falls, R. I.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.
 November 14, 1914, at Thornton, R. I.—Greystone A. C. F. C., Greystone, R. I., 1; Greystone F. C., Greystone, R. I., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Providence, R. I.; delegate, D. Bolton, Providence, R. I.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

November 8, 1914, at Akron, Ohio.—Thistles F. C., Cleveland, Ohio, 1; Akron F. C., Akron, Ohio, 0. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, A. Frank Counts, Cleveland, Ohio.

CHICAGO AND DETROIT DISTRICT.

November 15, 1914, at Chicago, Ill.—Bricklayers and Masons' F. C., Chicago, Ill., 5; Hyde Park Blues F. C., Chicago, Ill., 3. Referee, Al Morris, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, John H. Evans, Chicago, Ill.

November 15, 1914, at Chicago, Ill.—MacDuff F. C., Chicago, Ill., 5; Campbell Rovers F. C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, Thomas Dempsey, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.

November 8, 1914, at Pullman, Ill.—Pullman F. C., Chicago, Ill., 3; Roses F. C., Detroit, Mich., 0. Referee, Peter Gemmill, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.

November 8, 1914, at Detroit, Mich.—Packard F. C., Detroit, Mich., 3; Caledonian F. C., Detroit, Mich., 1. Referee, Robert Scott, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

SECOND ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

December 13, 1914, at Harrison, N. J.—West Hudson F. C. of Harrison, N. J., 5; Falls Cricket and F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, John Nisbet, New York City; delegate, Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.

December 13, 1914, at Paterson, N. J.—Bronx United F. C., New York City, 1; Hawthorne United F. C., Paterson, N. J., 0. Referee, W. Hollywood, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, James G. Barclay, Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 13, 1914, at Manhattan Field, New York City.—German F. C., New York City, 2; Our Boys F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2. Referee, George Caldicott, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, A. Graham, Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 20, 1914, at Knight's Oval, Brooklyn, N. Y. (Replay).—German F. C., New York City, 3; Our Boys F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 0. Referee, George Caldicott, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, A. Graham, Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 13, 1914, at Paterson, N. J.—Paterson Rangers F. C., Paterson, N. J., 2; Brooklyn F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 0. Referee, Chas. E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, John Lone, Kearny, N. J.

December 20, 1914, at Jersey City, N. J.—Scottish-American F. C., Kearny, N. J., 1; Jersey A. C., Jersey City, N. J., 0. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, J. Grundy, Bayonne, N. J.

December 13, 1914, at Bayonne, N. J.—Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 3; Babcock & Wilcox F. C., Bayonne, N. J., 2. Referee, W. Erskine, New York City; delegate, M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

December 12, 1914, at Fairhill Park, Philadelphia, Pa.—Victor F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 5; West Philadelphia F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 1. Referee, George Young, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, E. M. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.

December 12, 1914, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 16; Peabody F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, J. H. Carpenter, Bethlehem, Pa.

CONNECTICUT DISTRICT.

December 12, 1914, at Ansonia, Conn.—Ansonia F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 3; Academy F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 2. Referee, James Millar, New Haven, Conn.; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

December 12, 1914, at Pawtucket, R. I.—J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 2; Greystone A. C. F. C., Greystone, R. I., 2. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

December 19, 1914, at Pawtucket, R. I. (Replay).—J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 3; Greystone A. C. F. C., Greystone, R. I., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

NORTHWESTERN NEW YORK AND OHIO DISTRICT.

December 13, 1914, at Niagara Falls, N. Y.—Rangers F. C., Niagara Falls, N. Y., 2; Thistles F. C. of Cleveland, Ohio, 2. Referee, John Ackroyd, Rochester, N. Y.; delegate, T. M. Kennett, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

December 27, 1914, at Cleveland, Ohio (Replay).—Thistles F. C., Cleveland, Ohio, 2; Rangers F. C., Niagara Falls, N. Y., 0. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, A. Frank Counts, Cleveland, Ohio.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

December 12, 1914, at New Bedford, Mass.—New Bedford F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 4; Fall River Rovers F. C., Fall River, Mass., 2. Referee, W. E. Dean, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, A. W. Keane, New Bedford, Mass.

December 12, 1914, at Lynn, Mass.—Fore River F. C., Quincy, Mass., 5; General Electric F. C., Lynn, Mass., 3. Referee, D. Scott, Boston, Mass.; delegate, Sam McLerie, Medford Hillside, Mass.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

December 12, 1914, at Homestead, Pa.—Homestead S. W. F. C., Homestead, Pa., 4; Burns F. C., Juniata, Pa., 1. Referee, W. Davidson, Swissvale, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkensburg, Pa.

CHICAGO AND DETROIT DISTRICT.

December 13, 1914, at Chicago, Ill.—Pullman F. C., Pullman, Ill., 1; Bricklayers and Masons' F. C., Chicago, Ill., 0. Referee, A. Morris, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill.

December 13, 1914, at Chicago, Ill.—Packard F. C., Detroit, Mich., 3; MacDuff F. C., Chicago, Ill., 0. Referee, P. Gemmill, Chicago, Ill.; delegate, Archibald Birse, Chicago, Ill.

THIRD ROUND.

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

February 21, 1915, at Harrison, N. J.—Scottish-American F. C., Kearny, N. J., 3; West Hudson F. C., Harrison, N. J., 1. Referee, Alex Burnside, Brooklyn, N. Y.; delegate, Thomas Bagnall, Harrison, N. J.

February 21, 1915, at Manhattan Field, New York City.—German F. C., New York City 2; Bronx United F. C., New York City, 0. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, James G. Barclay, Brooklyn, N. Y.

February 21, 1915, at Marquette Oval, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 3; Paterson Rangers F. C., Paterson, N. J., 0. Referee, George Caldicott, Woodhaven, L. I.; delegate, M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT.

February 13, 1915, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 1; Victor F. C., Philadelphia, Pa., 0. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, O. Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.

CONNECTICUT AND RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

February 20, 1915, at Ansonia, Conn.—J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 4; Ansonia F. C., Ansonia, Conn., 2. Referee, Chas. E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT.

February 20, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—Fore River F. C., Quincy, Mass., 1; Bedford F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 0. Referee, William Taylor, Pawtucket, R. I.; delegate, Albert W. Heane, New Bedford, Mass. Game protested by New Bedford F. C., and protest sustained by National Challenge Cup Committee. Game ordered replayed at Fall River, Mass., which resulted as follows:

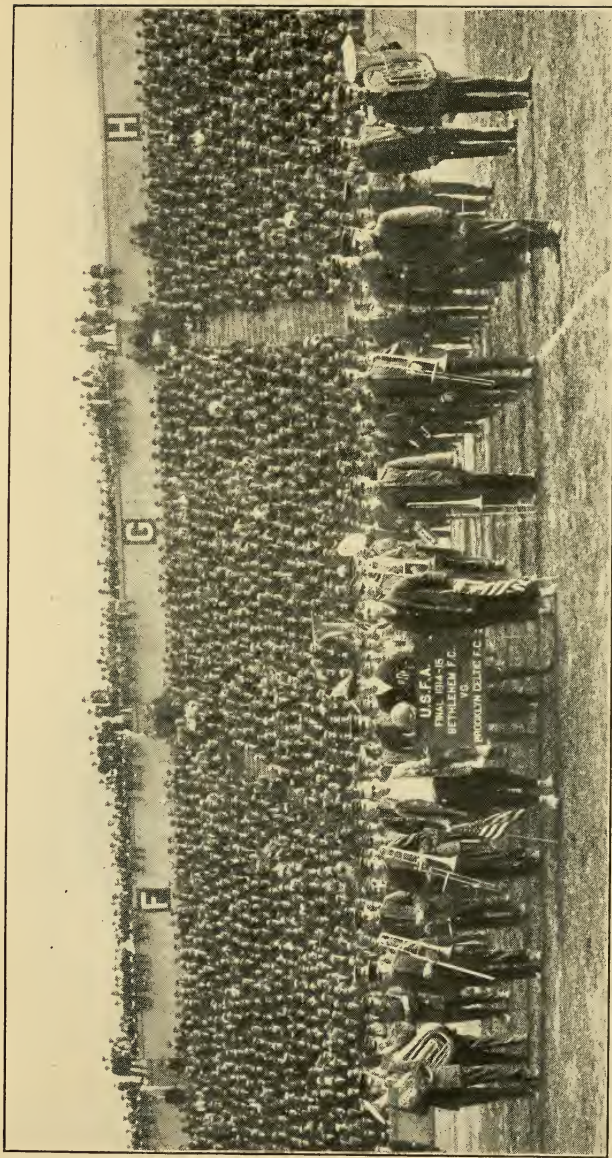
March 13, 1915, at Fall River, Mass. (Replay).—Fore River F. C., Quincy, Mass., 1; New Bedford F. C., New Bedford, Mass., 0. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND OHIO DISTRICT.

February 13, 1915, at Homestead, Pa.—Homestead S. W. F. C., Homestead, Pa., 5; Thistle F. C., Cleveland, Ohio, 0. Referee, William Davidson, Swissvale, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkensburg, Pa.

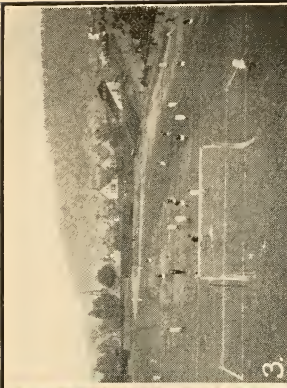
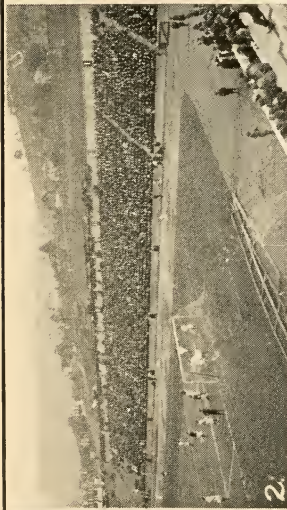
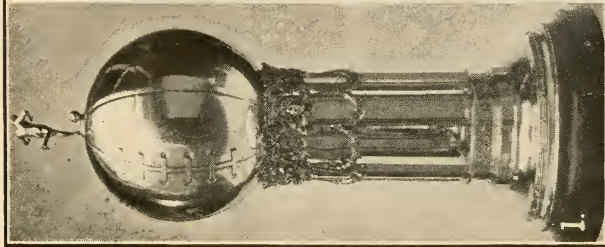
CHICAGO AND DETROIT DISTRICT.

February 21, 1915, at Detroit, Mich.—Pullman F. C., Chicago, Ill., 2; Packard F. C., Detroit, Mich., 1. Referee, John B. Stark, Detroit, Mich.; delegate, George Healey, Detroit, Mich.

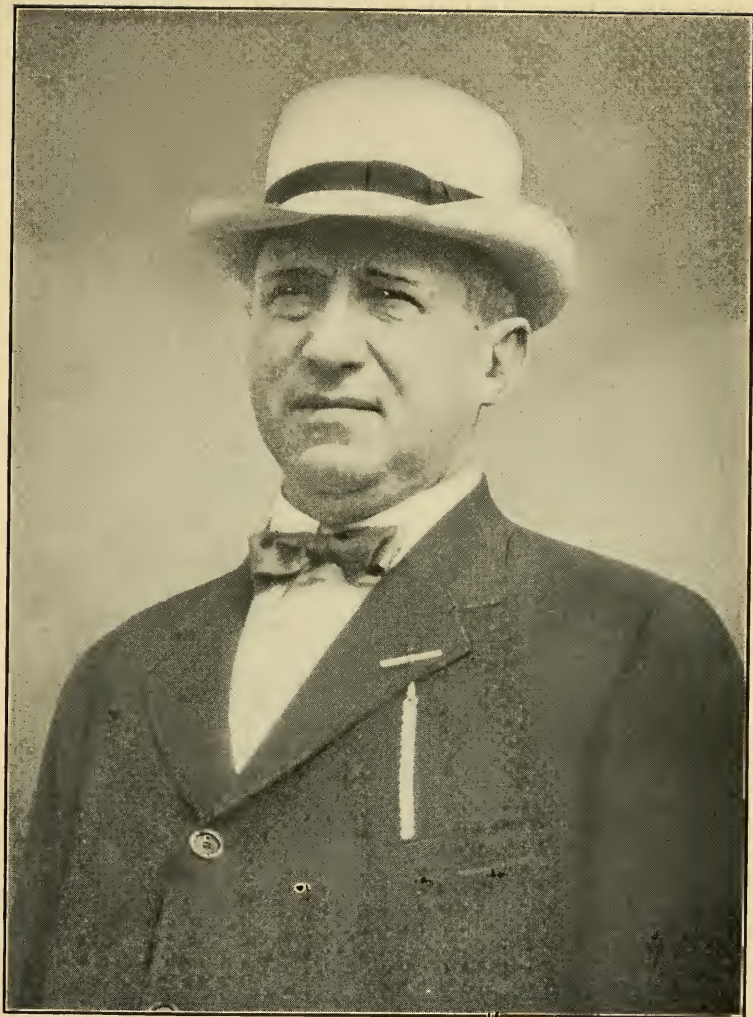


THE BETHLEHEM STEEL COMPANY BAND

At the United States Championship Soccer Game, Played at Taylor Field, Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pa., May 1, 1915.
Final Score—Bethlehem Football Club, 3; Brooklyn Celtic Football Club, 1.



1—National Challenge Cup Trophy, emblematic of the Soccer Championship of the United States. 2-3-4—Scenes at the Cup Tie Final. 5-1, C. Creighton, New York City, linesman; 2, G. Lambie, Belmont, Mass., referee; 3, J. Walders, Philadelphia, Pa., linesman. 6—The Brooklyn Celtic Football Club, runners-up in the U. S. F. A. National Challenge Cup Competition, 1915-1, T. McAmphill, Sec. and Mgr.; 2, Robertson; 3, Mather; 4, McWilliams; 5, D. D. Winchester; 6, Flanagan; 7, McElroy; 8, Broadbent; 9, McQueen; 10, Lonie; 11, O'Halloran, Capt.; 12, King; 13, McGreevy.



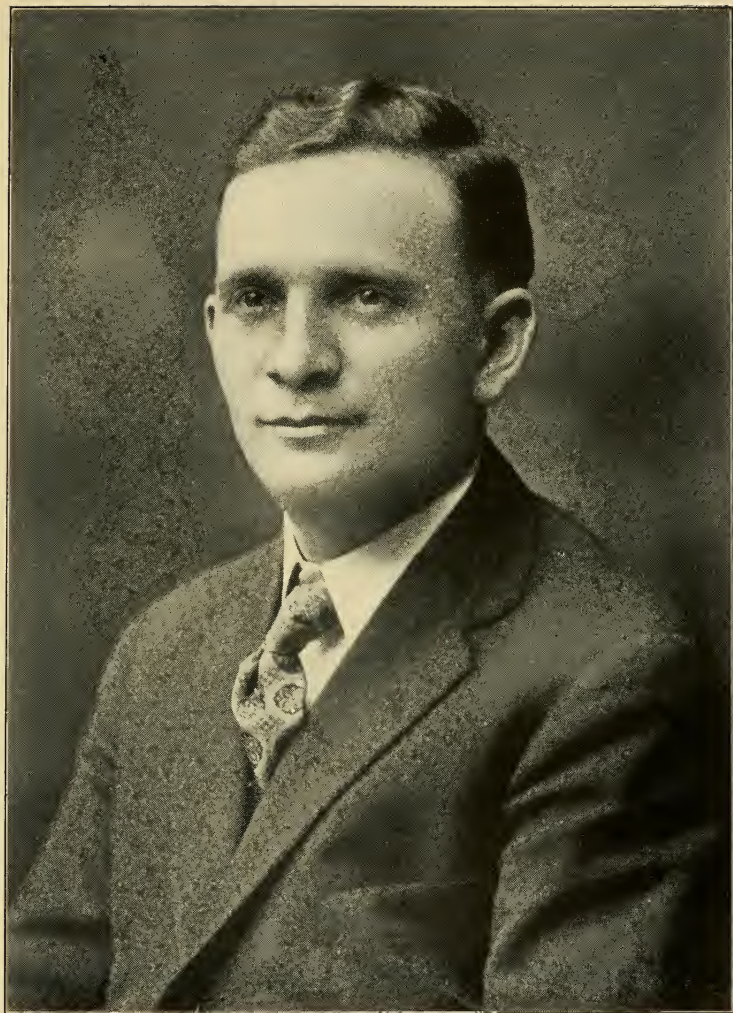
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President Bethlehem Steel Company.

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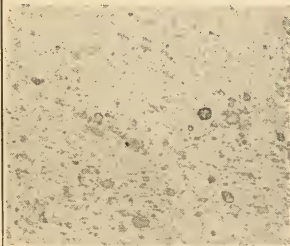
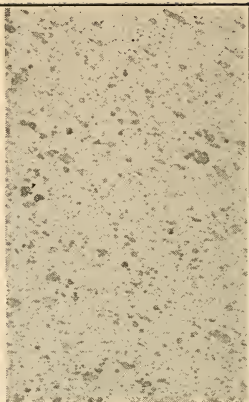
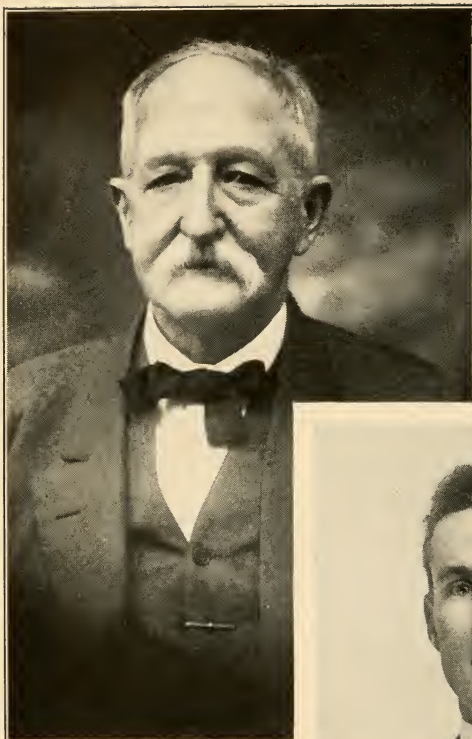


J. M. HERBIG,
President Bethlehem Steel Company Athletic Committee.
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H. E. LEWIS,

Manager Bethlehem Football Club of Bethlehem, Pa., Soccer Champions of the United States, Season 1914-15. To whom belongs the honor of making Soccer the premier autumn, winter and spring sport in the Lehigh Valley and who built up a national championship team in three years. He is one of the most valuable of the numerous earnest workers in the United States Football Association.



1, Major A. B. DeSaulles, President Blue Mountain Soccer League, Season 1914-15;
2, H. W. Trend, Bethlehem, Pa., Secretary Bethlehem Steel Company Football Club,
and an effective force behind the development of the Champions.



DOUGLAS STEWART,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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Second Vice-President U. S. F. A.; President Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District; Chairman U. S. F. A. Appeals Committee.



1, F. J. Clark, New York City, Assistant to Secretary of the U. S. F. A., Seasons 1914-15-16. 2, David M. Whyte, President United States Referees' Union, Brooklyn, N. Y. 3, Thomas M. Kennett, Niagara Falls, N. Y. 4, M. F. Kelly, Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16, Brooklyn, N. Y. 5, Thomas Bagnall, New York City, President New York State Association Football League, 1909-16; Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16. 6, Thomas C. Cliff, President Columbia Oval Football Club; Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16, New York City.

FOURTH ROUND.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.

March 21, 1915, at Manhattan Field, New York City.—Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 4; German F. C., New York City, 2. Referee, W. E. Dean, New York City; delegate, M. F. Kelly, Brooklyn, N. Y.

NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA AND CHICAGO DISTRICT.

March 20, 1915, at Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 3; Scottish-American F. C., Kearny, N. J., 0. Referee, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.; delegate, J. H. Carpenter, Bethlehem, Pa.

March 20, 1915, at Homestead, Pa.—Homestead S. W. F. C., Homestead, Pa., 2; Pullman F. C., Chicago, Ill., 1. Referee, William Davidson, Swissvale, Pa.; delegate, Joseph Lever, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT.

March 20, 1915, at Pawtucket, R. I.—J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 1; Fore River F. C., Quincy, Mass., 0. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, W. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

April 5, 1915, at Lehigh Stadium, Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 4; Homestead S. W. F. C., Homestead, Pa., 1. Referee, Charles E. Creighton, New York City; delegate, William Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.; linesmen, James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa., and George Young, Philadelphia, Pa.

April 10, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass.—Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 2; J. & P. Coats F. C., Pawtucket, R. I., 1. Referee, Robert Gore, New Bedford, Mass.; delegate, George M. Collins, Boston, Mass.; linesmen, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass., and Sam McLerie, Medford Hillside, Mass.

FINAL ROUND.

May 1, 1915, at Taylor Field, Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pa.—Bethlehem F. C., Bethlehem, Pa., 3; Brooklyn Celtic F. C., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1. Referee, George Lambie, Belmont, Mass.; delegate, Thomas C. Cliff, New York City; linesmen, Charles E. Creighton, New York City, and James Walders, Philadelphia, Pa.

REINSTATEMENT COMMITTEE.

The Reinstatement Committee during the past season received and acted upon thirty-four applications of professional players desiring reinstatement as amateurs. The committee approved thirty-one and rejected three applications. The revenue derived from the work of this Committee amounted to \$31.00. The names and addresses of those reinstated are as follows:

1. By John Lone, New Jersey District, June 19, 1914, John Palfreyman, 164 Twelfth Avenue, Paterson, N. J.
2. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, June 30, 1914, Andrew York, Sacks Street, Stratford, Conn.
3. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, June 30, 1914, Robert Waite, 595 South Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.
4. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, June 30, 1914, Walter Haigh, 927 State Street, Bridgeport, Conn.
5. By J. A. Frost, Philadelphia District, July 6, 1914, James Campbell, 503 North High Street, Bethlehem, Pa.
6. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, July 7, 1914, Robert Millar, 19 West 54th Street, New York City.
7. By John Lone, New Jersey District, July 11, 1914, Jas. S. Hayes, 200 Nunda Avenue, Jersey City, N. J.
8. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, July 16, 1914, Neil A. Clarke, 18 North 3rd Street, Oswego, N. Y.
9. By John Lone, New Jersey District, July 17, 1914, Thos. W. Stark, 145 Chestnut Street, Kearny, N. J.
10. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, July 20, 1914, James Ford, 25 Johnston Avenue, Kearny, N. J.
11. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, July 20, 1914, Mathew H. Wilson, 447 Broad Street, Bridgeport, Conn.
12. By John Lone, New Jersey District, July 23, 1914, John Clow, care Russell, 209 Pomeroy Avenue, Kearny, N. J.

13. By John Lone, New Jersey District, July 30, 1914, John Broadbent, 314 Cross Street, Harrison, N. J.
14. By J. A. Frost, Philadelphia District, August 4, 1914, John W. Brigham, 3412 H Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
15. By John Lone, New Jersey District, August 4, 1914, John Aitken, 164 Pomeroy Avenue, Kearny, N. J.
16. By J. A. Frost, Philadelphia District, August 20, 1914, John McLean, 261 East 54th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.
17. By John Lone, New Jersey District, August 22, 1914, Thomas Reilly, 109 Pine Street, Paterson, N. J.
18. By Joe Booth, Connecticut District, August 24, 1914, John Stamford, 481 Hollister Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.
19. By Joe Booth, Connecticut District, August 24, 1914, F. G. Barrows, Box 175 D, Stamford, Conn.
20. By John Lone, New Jersey District, September 1, 1914, Thomas Arbethnat, 9 Crittenden Street, Newark, N. J.
21. By John Lone, New Jersey District, September 14, 1914, Robert Telfer, 111 Forrest Street, Kearny, N. J.
22. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, September 19, 1914, James Ross, 45 Lexington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
23. By John Lone, New Jersey District, September 30, 1914, Thomas Rosenbower, 327 Ege Avenue, Jersey City, N. J.
24. By Thos. McCamphill, New York District, September 30, 1914, Ralph Slade, 610 Riverside Drive, N. Y.
25. By Reinstatement Committee, September 30, 1914, George F. McNaughton, 350 Ellicott Street, Rochester, N. Y.
26. By John Lone, New Jersey District, September 30, 1914, Wm. M. Donald, 178 Windsor Street, Arlington, N. J.
27. By Geo. Ritchie, Northern New England District, September 30, 1914, Hubert Hague, 32 Ashley Street, New Bedford, Mass.
28. By John Lone, New Jersey District, September 30, 1914, William Scott, 267 Oak Street, Passaic, N. J.
29. By J. A. Frost, Philadelphia District, October 8, 1914, John Small, 3304 Knorr Street, Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa.
30. By John Lone, New Jersey District, May 17, 1915, Alex D. Stuart, 50 East 117th Street, New York City.
31. By John Lone, New Jersey District, May 17, 1915, Robert M. Stewart, 321 Old Bergen Road, Jersey City, N. J.

THE OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL COMMITTEE.

Owing to the deplorable state of affairs existing abroad and the probability of the Olympic games scheduled for 1916 being abandoned, this Committee has been unable to accomplish anything definite during the season just closed. However, should conditions permit and the games be held in Berlin, the Committee is in a position to assume the duties required of it.

APPEALS COMMITTEE.

The Appeals Committee held three meetings, viz: October 24, November 18, 1914, and March 10, 1915.

The Committee acted on the following appeals:

October 24, 1914, appeal of Rochester A. F. C. of Rochester, N. Y., from decision of the Northwestern New York State Football Association, rendered at a meeting held by that organization on August 24, 1914. The appeal was not sustained and appeal fee forfeited.

November 18, 1914, appeal of Rochester and District Association Football League from decision of Northwestern New York State Football Association, rendered at a meeting held by the latter organization on October 25, 1914. The appeal was not sustained and appeal fee forfeited.

March 10, 1915, appeal of the Hyde Park Blues F. C. of Chicago from decision rendered by the Executive Board of the Association Football League of Chicago, on February 5, wherein the Hyde Park Blues F. C. were penalized \$25.00 and two points forfeited to the Joliet F. C. of Joliet, Ill. After a thorough investigation of all data presented by both the Hyde Park Blues F. C. and the Executive Board of the Association Football League of Chicago,

the Committee sustained the Hyde Park Blues appeal, reversing the decision of the Executive Board of the Association Football League of Chicago, restoring the Hyde Park Blues to all rights and privileges. The appeal fee was ordered returned to the Hyde Park Blues.

The revenue accruing from the work of this committee amounted to \$50.00; expenses \$2.00.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL GAMES COMMITTEE.

The above Committee held one meeting, viz:

January 13, 1915. Owing to the unsettled conditions brought about by the European war, the international game, Canada vs. United States, was cancelled until conditions become more favorable.

The matter of conducting the soccer competition at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition was discussed by the members of the Committee, and it was unanimously agreed that the soccer competitions to take place at the above exposition should be assigned to the California Football Association and should be under the control and jurisdiction of that body.

No definite action could be taken on the U. S. A. vs. Argentine international match, owing to the lack of proper data and information.

The expenses incurred by this Committee amounted to \$13.00.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee during the past season has assisted the Treasurer in a most creditable manner and as all bills have had to have their approval before being allowed, it can be readily seen that this Committee's duties have been very responsible. The Treasurer's report will demonstrate how faithfully they have performed their duties.

RULES REVISION COMMITTEE.

The Rules Revision Committee has submitted in a printed circular the proposed changes of the Constitution and Rules of the U. S. F. A., copy of which has been previously mailed to all the Associations.

Before closing my report, permit me to extend my sincere thanks to President John A. Fernley, Treasurer Archibald Birse, and the members of the various committees for the assistance and kind consideration which they have accorded me throughout the season, thereby enabling me to acquire the best results possible for the national organization. In behalf of the National Challenge Cup Competition Committee I wish to express appreciation of the great assistance rendered by Mr. H. E. Lewis and the Lehigh University faculty in staging the final National Challenge Cup Tie at Taylor Field, Lehigh University, on Saturday, May 1, 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. CAHILL,

Hon. Secretary U. S. F. A.

Annual Report of the Treasurer

UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

TO THE DELEGATES TO THE 1915 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE U. S. F. A.

Chicago, Ill., May 26, 1915.

In presenting this, the second annual report of the treasurer of the United States Football Association, I take opportunity to pay tribute to the high grade service rendered to this important department of the national body by Thomas W. Cahill, national secretary. The prompt, accurate and faithful remittance of moneys by him to your treasurer have been truly marvelous, and proves him entirely worthy of the confidence of this great body. His excellent work has contributed greatly to make the treasurer's duties agreeable.

The substantial balance remaining in the treasury at the end of our second year will undoubtedly give satisfaction to all lovers of the Association game in the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD BIRSE,
Treasurer U. S. F. A.

RECAPITULATION

Receipts	\$3,140.83
Disbursements	1,477.18
Balance	<u>\$1,663.65</u>

ARCHIBALD BIRSE, Treasurer.

J. H. EVANS,
P. J. PEEL,
Auditors.

U. S. F. A. Annual Banquet

BY E. L. MOCKLER, NEW YORK CITY.

The second annual banquet of the United States Football Association, held at the Broadway Central Hotel, New York City, on the night of June 5, 1915, was one of the most interesting functions of a sporting character during the year. Mr. William F. Garcelon of Boston, Mass., ex-Graduate Treasurer Harvard University Athletic Association and a member of the Committee on Association Football Rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, made a brilliant toastmaster and kept things going in lively fashion from the time he took over the direction of affairs until everyone who had anything to say had had his opportunity. Mr. Garcelon's set speech paid a high tribute to soccer and went over the ground of comparison as between soccer and the American college game, at which he was a famous player. He spoke in high terms of the college game, but said that he was having his boys play soccer.

Mr. H. Edgar Lewis, manager of the champion Bethlehem team, also made a most interesting address. Hon. Secretary Thomas W. Cahill had the speech of his life prepared, explaining what he intended to do in the propaganda line during the ensuing year, but when it came his turn to talk he was called to the front by Mr. Douglas Stewart of Philadelphia and presented with a handsome emerald ring, a token purchased by subscription by football men all over the country as a tribute to the wonderful work he had done in the organization and development of the United States Football Association. David M. Whyte made an interesting and informative talk on the formation, the plans and hopes of the United States Referees' Union, of which he is the founder and president.

Treasurer Archibald Birse made an extremely witty and humorous talk on soccer in Chicago and Mr. George Healey, President of the Michigan Soccer Association, confided his hopes for the future of the game in Michigan to a most attentive audience.

Major A. B. DeSaulles, President of the Blue Mountain Soccer League, told of the great progress of soccer in the Lehigh Valley during the past season, and highly commended the great work accomplished by Mr. H. Edgar Lewis and the Bethlehem Athletic Association in establishing and placing the sport on an organized basis in that section.

Vice-President Peter J. Peel of Chicago, former President G. R. Manning, Thomas Bagnall, President of the New York State League, W. H. Bischoff of the Bethlehem F. C., and Douglas Stewart, President of the Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District, were also able to say a lot of interesting things in a clever way.

The National Challenge Cup was presented to the winners and filled with champagne by the newly chosen President, John A. Fernley, and gold and silver medals were presented to the Bethlehem F. C. and the runners-up, the Brooklyn Celtic F. C. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

National Challenge Cup Competition 1915-1916

UNITED STATES FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

National Challenge Cup Competition Committee—Albert W. Keane, Chairman, care of New Bedford Times, New Bedford, Mass.; T. W. Cahill, Secretary, 126 Nassau Street, New York City.

New York City, Oct. 4, 1915.

The National Challenge Cup Competition drawing, for the qualifying and first round proper, under the auspices of the United States Football Association, for the season 1915-1916 took place at the Broadway Central Hotel, October 3, 1915. Eighty-eight of the representative soccer clubs of this country entered the competition, which is to determine the Soccer Football Championship of the United States. The drawings resulted as follows:

QUALIFYING ROUND.

Qualifying round to be played on or before October 24, 1915.
All games to be played on the grounds of the first named club.

New York and New Jersey District—Haledon Thistles F.C. of Paterson, N. J., vs. I. R. T. Strollers F.C. of New York City. Clan MacDuff F.C. of New York City vs. Alley Boys F.C. of Harrison, N. J. Cameron F.C. of New York City vs. Greenpoint F.C. of Brooklyn, N. Y. Our Boys F.C. of Brooklyn, N. Y., vs. Greenville F.C. of Jersey City, N. J. N. Y. Hibernian F.C. of New York City vs. Clan MacDonald F.C. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Eastern Pennsylvania District—Nativity Men's Club Team of Bethlehem, Pa., vs. Bethlehem East End F.C. of Bethlehem, Pa.

Western Pennsylvania District—Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. of Pittsburgh vs. Braddock F.C. of Pittsburgh. Treveskyn F.C. of Cuddy vs. Donora S. W. F.C. of Donora.

Connecticut District—Naugatuck F.C. of Naugatuck vs. Bridgeport Rangers F.C. of Bridgeport.

Massachusetts District—Hose XI. F.C. of New Bedford vs. Cove Albion F.C. of New Bedford. New Bedford Cotton Mill F.C. of New Bedford vs. Beehive Rangers F.C. of New Bedford. Gem A. A. F.C. of New Bedford vs. Pan-American F.C. of Fall River. Taunton City F.C. of Taunton vs. Boston-American F.C. of Boston. Lynn Hibernian F.C. of West Lynn vs. St. George A. A. F.C. of Boston. Clan MacPherson F.C. of Lawrence vs. Clan Lindsay F.C. of Cambridge. Swedish-American F.C. of Worcester vs. Lynn Fosse F.C. of East Lynn.

Rhode Island District—Plainfield F.C. of Plainfield, Conn., vs. Smithfield Avenue Men's Club of Pawtucket, R. I. Crompton F.C. of Crompton, R. I., vs. Greystone A. C. F.C. of Greystone, R. I.

Cleveland District—Woodland Rovers F.C. of Cleveland vs. Sons of St. George F.C. of East Liverpool.

Chicago District—MacDuff F.C. of Chicago vs. Chicago-American F.C. of Chicago. Campbell Rovers F.C. of Chicago vs. Hyde Park Blues F.C. of Chicago.

Northwestern New York District—Celtic A. F.C. of Rochester vs. Rochester City A. F.C. of Rochester.

Detroit District—Caledonia F.C. of Detroit vs. St. George F.C. of Detroit. Detroit F.C. of Detroit vs. Beaudette United F.C. of Pontiac.

FIRST ROUND PROPER.

All games to be played on grounds of first named club on or before
November 14, 1915.

New York and New Jersey District—Jersey A. C. of Jersey City vs. Scottish-American F.C. of East Newark. Brooklyn Field Club of Brooklyn vs. Yonkers F.C. of Yonkers. West Hudson F.C. of Harrison vs. N. Y. Hibernian F.C. of New York City, or Clan MacDonald F.C. of Brooklyn. Brooklyn Celtic F.C. of Brooklyn vs. Our Boys F.C. of Brooklyn, or Greenville F.C. of Jersey City. Haledon Thistles F.C. of Paterson, or I. R. T. Strollers F.C. of New York City vs. Columbia Oval F.C. of New York City. Clan MacDuff F.C. of New York City, or Alley Boys F.C. of Harrison, N. J., vs. Babcock & Wilcox F.C. of Bayonne. Continental F.C. of New York City vs. Cameron F.C. of New York City, or Greenpoint F.C. of Brooklyn.

Northwestern New York District—Celtic A. F.C. of Rochester, or Rochester City A. F.C. of Rochester vs. General Electric F.C. of Schenectady.

Eastern Pennsylvania District—Peabody F.C. of Philadelphia vs. Hibernian F.C. of Philadelphia. Disston A. A. F.C. of Tacony vs. Wanderers F.C. of Philadelphia. Putnam F.C. of Philadelphia vs. Viscose F.C. of Marcus Hook. Nativity Men's Club Team of Bethlehem, or Bethlehem East End F.C. of Bethlehem vs. Bethlehem Steel Co. F.C. of Bethlehem.

Western Pennsylvania District—Treveskyn F.C. of Cuddy, Pa., or Donora S. W. F.C. of Donora, Pa., vs. Beadling F.C. of Beadling. Pittsburgh Rovers F.C. of Pittsburgh, or Braddock F.C. of Pittsburgh vs. Homestead S. W. F.C. of Homestead.

Connecticut District—Bridgeport City F.C. of Bridgeport vs. Naugatuck F.C. of Naugatuck, or Bridgeport Rangers F.C. of Bridgeport.

Massachusetts District—Brockton F.C. of Brockton vs. New Bedford Celtic F.C. of New Bedford. New Bedford F.C. of New Bedford vs. Andover United F.C. of Andover. Charlestown F.C. of Charlestown vs. Gem A. A. F.C. of New Bedford, or Pan-American F.C. of Fall River. Fore River F.C. of Quincy vs. Lawrence F.C. of Lawrence. Fall River Rovers F.C. of Fall River vs. Clan MacPherson F.C. of Lawrence, or Clan Lindsay F.C. of Cambridge. Taunton City F.C. of Taunton, or Boston-American F.C. of Boston vs. Hose XI. of New Bedford, or Cove Albion F.C. of New Bedford. New Bedford Cotton Mill F.C. of New Bedford, or Beehive Rangers F.C. of New Bedford vs. Lynn Hibernian F.C. of West Lynn, or St. George A. A. F.C. of Boston. Swedish-American F.C. of Worcester, or Lynn Fosse F.C. of East Lynn vs. General Electric F.C. of Lynn. Farr Alpaca F.C. of Holyoke vs. Chicopee Rovers F.C. of Chicopee Falls.

Rhode Island District—Howard & Bullough F.C. of Pawtucket vs. Crompton F. C. of Crompton, or Greystone A. C. F.C. of Greystone. Plainfield F.C. of Plainfield, Conn., or Smithfield Avenue Men's Club of Pawtucket vs. J. & P. Coats F.C. of Pawtucket.

Cleveland District—Woodland Rovers F.C. of Cleveland, or Sons of St. George F.C. of East Liverpool vs. Cleveland F.C. of Cleveland. Thistle F.C. of Cleveland vs. Akron F.C. of Akron.

Chicago District—Campbell Rovers F.C. of Chicago, or Hyde Park Blues F.C. of Chicago vs. MacDuff F.C. of Chicago, or Chicago-American F.C. of Chicago. Pullman F.C. of Chicago vs. Bricklayers and Masons F.C. of Chicago.

Detroit District—Caledonia F.C. of Detroit, or St. George F.C. of Detroit vs. Roses F.C. of Detroit. Packard F.C. of Detroit vs. Detroit F.C. of Detroit, or Beaudette United F.C. of Pontiac.

United States Football Association Final

SEASON 1914-15.

BETHLEHEM F. C. OF BETHLEHEM, PA., 3; BROOKLYN CELTIC F. C.
OF BROOKLYN, N. Y., 1.

BY REX.

By winning the National Challenge Cup, the Bethlehem Football Club established the first clear title to the American Soccer Championship that has ever been decided. Every first-class soccer team in the country, save those in St. Louis, was an original entrant in the National Cup Competition, but the Pullmans of Chicago, holders of the Peel Challenge Cup, defeated one of the two leading clubs in St. Louis and tied with the other. While these were not cup-tie games, they were sharply contested, the rivalry between St. Louis and Chicago being keen and of long standing, and the relative merits of the teams engaged was established as clearly as could have been the case under cup-tie conditions. The Pullmans were immediately thereafter eliminated from the National Challenge Cup Competition by the Homestead F. C. of Homestead, Pa., and Homestead F. C. two weeks later met the same fate from Bethlehem F. C. This sequence to events thus removed the last shadow of doubt upon the genuineness of the title battled for by Bethlehem and the Brooklyn Celtics, May 1, 1915, and won by Bethlehem.

That such a clear title to the championship was thus established was of the greatest pleasure to the officers of the United States Football Association and especially of the National Challenge Cup Competition Committee, who had a season of arduous work, and performed it well. It has long been the aim of soccer enthusiasts to have a competition in which national honors of unquestioned authenticity could be bestowed. There have been many local cup competitions in various sections of the country, notably the American Football Association Cup of Newark, N. J., which has always had a generous entry from Pennsylvania, New Jersey and parts of New York and New England, and the Peel Challenge Cup, contested for in Chicago, and while questions of superiority in the neighborhoods where these competitions were carried on could thus be decided, it was not until the United States Football Association was organized and the National Challenge Cup Competition established, that a way was provided to decide the real national championship.

The final was played on Taylor Field, the magnificent stadium of Lehigh University, at South Bethlehem, Pa. It was the first time in the history of American soccer that the college element has been brought into a community interest with the clubs and leagues recruited from those who have passed the educational periods of life and entered upon the serious pursuit of a livelihood. And the merger of elements thus exemplified was emphasized in the character of the attendance, which included many of the most prominent men in the steel and allied interests, in the representatives of Lehigh University and other colleges, bankers, business and professional men and men from every walk of industrial life, who foregathered together in that spirit of democracy which is only possible when sportsmanship is the one element of character appealed to.

The following account of the game from the Bethlehem *Times* was one of the most comprehensive of the many published and is therefore used in the GUIDE:

"In a game that carried with it the championship of the United States, Bethlehem on Saturday defeated the Brooklyn Celtics in the National challenge cup tie by a score of 3 goals to 1. The contest was staged in Taylor Stadium, at Lehigh University, before 7,500 people. Originally in the contest for this trophy there were 82 teams, from all over the country. By the elimination contests 80 of these elevens were dropped.

"The Bethlehem Steel Company Band of 100 pieces enlivened the occasion. Bethlehem won because the local players outclassed the Celtics in all departments of the game. Two of Bethlehem's scores came in the first period, and only the rarest kind of luck prevented Bethlehem from making three more. The first tally was made by Ford, who handled a beautiful cross shot from Fleming. This spurred Bethlehem on and Fleming shortly after sent in what looked like a sure goal, but Mather stopped the ball, falling in doing so. Ford rushed in, but slipped and the ball rolled out of danger. Millar, Ford and Pepper also missed pretty tries.

"Just before half time Millar received a cross shot from Ford, but was blocked and fell. He scrambled up and drove hard, beating the goalkeeper. During this half goalkeeper Duncan was called on just once to handle the ball, while two other tries went wide. All told, Bethlehem had 24 unsuccessful attempts to 8 by the Celtics during the whole game.

"Each team scored once during the second half, although Ford banked in a pretty cross-over from Millar and Fleming, but the goal was not allowed. Bethlehem continued fiercely, two corners by Ford and one by Fleming going astray. Millar also missed a pretty try. Finally, on a corner drive, Fleming to Ford, the latter drove hard, a Brooklyn man handling the ball and giving Fleming a chance to score from penalty. He made good. The Celtics at this point played their best game of the day. Taking the ball down the field, McQueen had a chance, but the ball hit the uprights. Shortly after this McQueen had another chance and this time he made no mistake, for after receiving a pass from O'Halloran, who had already drawn Campbell towards him, he worked his way between both backs and beat Duncan with a low, hard drive which landed in the corner of the net.

"This goal gave the Celtics new life and from then on they attacked fiercely and it looked as though they were determined to score again, but the fine defensive work of Ferguson broke up the rally, and Fleming, getting the ball, worked it down the field and centered to Millar. McWilliams intercepted Millar's shot, the ball going over to Ford, who drove in a fast drive which gave Mather no chance. Referee Lambie refused to allow this point for Bethlehem, claiming Millar was off side. Bethlehem, however, continued to attack fiercely. The game ended shortly afterwards with the ball in Brooklyn's territory."

The line-up :

Celtics (1).	Positions.	Bethlehem (3).
Mather	Goal.....	Duncan
Nicholas	Right Full-back.....	Fletcher
McWilliams	Left Full-back.....	Ferguson
Broadbent	Right Half-back.....	Campbell
Donegan	Center Half-back.....	Clarke
Neville	Left Half-back.....	Morrison
Campion	Outside Right.....	Ford
Lonie	Inside Right.....	Murray
O'Halloran	Center Forward.....	Millar
McQueen	Inside Left	Pepper
McGreevey	Outside Left	Fleming

Goals—Ford, Millar, Fleming (penalty), McQueen. Referee—Mr. George Lambie of Boston, Mass. Linesmen—Mr. James Walders of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. Charles E. Creighton of New York City. Time of halves—45 minutes.

Bethlehem Football Club, the Champions

BY H. W. TREND, SECRETARY BETHLEHEM F. C.

Officers—President, J. M. Herbig; vice-president, W. H. Bischoff; secretary, H. W. Trend; treasurer, A. N. Roberts; manager, H. E. Lewis.

Directors—J. M. Herbig, W. H. Bischoff, R. A. Lewis, A. N. Roberts, H. E. Lewis, S. T. Harleman.

CHAMPIONSHIPS WON, 1913-14-15.

Philadelphia Allied American League—Winners First Division, 1912-13-14.
Philadelphia Allied Cup—Winners 1913-14.

AMERICAN CUP WINNERS, 1913-14.

Philadelphia American League—Winners 1914-15.

CHAMPIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1914-15.

Winners of the National Challenge Cup (U. S. F. A.).

Team—H. E. Lewis, manager; Morrison, capt.; W. W. Lynn, trainer; Fleming, Toole, Miller, Clarke, Duncan, Scaife, Murray, Campbell, Lance, Peacock, Graham, Pepper, Fletcher, Lawson, Whitson, Ferguson.

RECORD OF BETHLEHEM SOCCER FOOTBALL TEAM, 1914-15.

Date.	Opponents.	Kind of game.	Where played.	Goals Beth.	Goals Opp.
Aug. 1—1914	Pick of Allied League.....	Exhibition	Away	5	0
Sept. 19—	Henry Disston F. C.....	Exhibition	Home	5	1
Sept. 26—	Peabody	Exhibition	Home	3	0
Oct. 3—	Schuykill Falls	League	Away	7	1
Oct. 10—	Victors	League	Home	2	2
Oct. 17—	Hibernians	League	Away	1	1
Oct. 24—	Henry Disston F. C.....	League	Home	2	2
Oct. 31—	West Philadelphia.....	First round A. Cup..	Home	6	0
Nov. 7—	Reading	Exhibition	Away	7	2
Nov. 14—	Putnam F. C.....	First round N. Cup..	Home	7	1
Nov. 21—	West Philadelphia.....	League	Away	4	0
Nov. 26—	Pick of Blue Mountain League..	Exhibition	Home	8	1
Nov. 23—	Clan MacDonald	Second round A. Cup..	Home	2	0
Dec. 5—	Philadelphia Rangers	League	Home	7	0
Dec. 12—	Peabody	Second round N. cup..	Home	16	0
Dec. 19—	Victor Talking Machine Co.....	League	Away	6	2
1915.					
Jan. 2—	Pick of Blue Mountain League..	Exhibition	Home	5	4
Jan. 9—	Farr Alpaca	Third round A. Cup..	Home	6	1
Jan. 16—	Victors	League	Away	5	2
Jan. 30—	Tacony	League	Away	1	0
Feb. 6—	Victor Talking Machine Co.....	League	Home	7	0
Feb. 13—	Victors	Third round N. Cup..	Away	1	0
Feb. 20—	West Philadelphia	Forfeit	—	—	—
Feb. 20—	Allentown Y. M. C. A.....	Exhibition	Home	3	1
Feb. 22—	Rangers	League	Home	11	0
Feb. 27—	Falls	League	Home	5	0
Mar. 14—	Brooklyn Celtics	Semi-final A. Cup..	Away	1	2
Mar. 20—	Scottish Americans	Fourth round N. Cup..	Home	3	0
Mar. 27—	Hibernians	League	Home	6	1
Apr. 5—	Homestead Steel Works.....	Semi-final N. Cup..	Home	4	1
Apr. 10—	University of Pennsylvania.....	Exhibition	Home	5	0
Apr. 17—	Fall River Rovers.....	Exhibition	Away	4	1
Apr. 19—	All-star team of Fall River.....	Exhibition	Away	1	0
Apr. 24—	Nativity	Exhibition	Home	3	0
May 1—	Brooklyn Celtics	Final of N. Cup.....	Home	3	1
	Total			162	27

With the close of the 1914-15 season the Bethlehem soccer team, champions of the United States and winners of the American League of Philadelphia, ended one of the most successful seasons since it organized, the staging of the final game of the United States Cup Competition in the Lehigh Stadium, Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, which attraction drew close to 7,000 spectators, clearly shows that the game has come to stay in the Lehigh Valley, due entirely to the untiring and persevering efforts of such men as J. M. Herbig, W. H. Bischoff, H. E. Lewis, A. N. Roberts, R. A. Lewis, S. T. Harleman and H. W. Trend, officials of the Bethlehem club.

The Bethlehem team, having won the American Cup, the First Division of the Allied League of Philadelphia and the Allied Amateur Cup of Pennsylvania during the 1913-14 season, decided to go after new honors in 1914-15, and with this in mind Manager H. E. Lewis secured one of the greatest aggregation of soccer stars ever gotten together in this country. They played their first game on August 1, 1914, at the Caledonian games held at Point Breeze Park, Philadelphia, when they lined up against an all-star team of the Allied League of Philadelphia. This game was for the handsome Caledonian Cup and gold stickpins, which Bethlehem won by the score of 5 goals to 0. Shortly afterwards Bethlehem entered the new American League of Philadelphia, which was composed of eight of the strongest teams in that city, including such clubs as the Hibernians, Victor F. C., Tacony (now the Henry Disston F. C.), Schuylkill Falls, West Philadelphia and others. This league was won by Bethlehem without a defeat.

The Bethlehem Club also entered the United States National Challenge Cup Competition, also the American Cup Competition. In the latter competition they lost their only game of the season, in the semi-final round, to the Brooklyn Celtics, on the Brooklyn grounds, by the score of 2 goals to 1. In the United States National Cup competition, in which 82 clubs entered from all parts of the country, the Bethlehem team finally won out. In the fourth round of this competition they defeated the Scottish-Americans, winners of the American Cup, by the score of 3 goals to 0. In the semi-final they defeated the Homestead team of Pittsburgh, western champions, by the score of 4 goals to 1, and in the final round of the United States National Cup competition Bethlehem defeated the Brooklyn Celtics by the score of 3 goals to 1 and thereby ended one of the most successful seasons in its history. The record of 34 games played, of which 30 games were won, one lost and three tied, with 162 goals for and 27 goals against, speaks for itself and clearly shows the remarkable offensive and defensive strength of the champions of the United States during the 1914-15 season.

That it took more than the ordinary effort to accomplish the above there is not the least doubt and special credit must be given to Manager H. E. Lewis for the way in which he took his team through a long, hard and gruelling season and finally brought to Bethlehem the highest of all soccer honors, the championship of the United States.

Credit must also be given to the team, who went through one of the hardest soccer seasons in the history of the Bethlehem club. The playing of 34 games from August 1, 1914, to May 1, 1915, with only one defeat, is a record of which any team might well be proud. This record was accomplished only by the steady, consistent training of the team, who always took the field in the best of condition, and which more than once helped them on to victory.

It might be well to mention that the missionary work done by the Bethlehem club during the last three years is in a measure largely responsible for the present standing of soccer in the Lehigh Valley today. When one bears in mind that there was only one club in the Lehigh Valley two years ago, namely the Bethlehem club, and that today there are fourteen, with small clubs springing up here and there, the Lehigh Valley bids fair to become one of the leading soccer centers of the East.

Lesson of Bethlehem's Victory

BY E. L. MOCKLER, NEW YORK CITY.

The victory of the Bethlehem F. C. in the National Challenge Cup competition was not only a great triumph for the members of the team and for the judgment and painstaking effort of its manager, Mr. H. E. Lewis, but it was also the triumph of an IDEA. The IDEA is that one of the finest things in the world for the making of friendships is athletic competition. Athletic sports are likewise a fine thing for all men, whether they work with their brains alone or with brains and hands in conjunction. The best combination, though, is brains and hearts and hands. One of the men to realize this is Mr. Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Works.

There are few busier men anywhere in the world than Mr. Schwab. His capacity for both work and accomplishment seems unlimited and coupled with it is an immense capacity for making friends. Where he finds time to do the things he does is a puzzle, but it is outside of this argument. The fact that he does find the time and does do things is sufficient to illustrate the point. He realizes the vast importance of a spirit of amity between the head of a great corporation and the army of men it employs. Corporations are usually referred to as "soulless," which may be a bromide or a fact, as the head of the individual corporation elects. Mr. Schwab decided to make it a bromide, and to prove that he had a soul as well as a head, he donated to his employees a fund of \$25,000 for the development of athletics among themselves. When he gave the \$25,000 he gave it in fact as well as in name. He did not hedge the gift with instructions that each dollar was to be spent thus and so; it was a free gift for the men and the only limitation was that it was to be used for athletic development and the amusement to be derived therefrom. There was also an intimation that if the first gift were well expended there would be another of the same magnitude.

Soccer football is the favorite cold weather game of great numbers of the Bethlehem employees, and it was only right that a fair part of the \$25,000 gift should be appropriated for soccer development.

Result: after the first full year of the gift, the Bethlehem Steel Football Club has the undisputed title of National Soccer Champions, won fairly and in the finest competition ever waged for a championship title in any sport.

That is the result from the standpoint of the men. From the viewpoint of Mr. Schwab, as president, and therefore the representative of his board of directors, from the viewpoint of the Board of Directors as representatives of the thousands of stockholders scattered all over the world, the men of the Bethlehem Steel Works look upon Mr. Schwab as not only the head of the great industrial concern that employs them but as the friend of every man in the plant. And a finer asset than that no man or no corporation could possibly hope to possess.

No good lesson is without a moral, and the one to this is so obvious it hardly needs exploitation. It is simply this: that an interest by corporation heads in the daily life of their employees outside of their purely private affairs, can do more to bring about a feeling of cordiality between "Capital" and "Labor," two essentials of life that have been made into bugaboos for each other by addepatated agitators all over the country, than all the high-brow industrial commission investigations that could be staged in a lifetime. The proof is the simple fact that friends can always reach an understanding where hostile elements would not even look for one.

The State Association—Its Organization, Scope and Work

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The proper government of Association football is a very important factor in the progress and development of the game in any community, State or country. The usual theory of government in most countries where the game is played is that of direct representation from the club to the league, the league to the State Association and the State Association to the National Association. This, since a player is a member of a club, gives him a more or less direct connection with the supreme governing body, through the delegates elected by the various units. The State Association is, however, in the ordinary course of events, and for all practical purposes, the local supreme body. It has jurisdiction over the entire district and is responsible for that district to the National body; the league or combination of leagues is responsible to the State Association for its or their particular area; the club is responsible to the league and the team to the club.

Having set out the gradation of the responsibilities it is well to realize the necessity of the different classes of men requisite to fill the particular grades. The club man has but the team and its players to look after and takes a very specific part in the development of the game. The representative to the league has a larger job in front of him and must think in a larger way, for he now has clubs instead of players to think about and must have a broader point of view than the mere club man; then when it comes to the delegate to the State Association, he must also be a larger man mentally than the delegate to the league, for the units now are whole leagues, a larger problem requiring greater breadth of mind and perspective than either of the two representatives stated, leagues are units just as clubs are the units of the man next below and as players are the units of the club man. Then when we come to the National Association we must have men of the broadest mind and greatest perspective, who have neither players, clubs nor leagues as their units, but have State Associations. For the work of each one of these divisions to be properly done the councils must be made up of such men, men who, as they ascend, become larger mentally, so that when the man gets to the Council he is of such mind that he can consider all questions presented to him in a cold, abstract way, neither personal feeling nor sentiment interfering with his view of the situation and the working of his mind clearly for the best interests of the mass and the mass alone.

Arriving then at the constitution of the State Association and its units, the object, scope and work of the State body is capable of a clearer definition, and to that we will now turn.

The object of the State Association is to foster and develop the game along sound lines and to provide adequate and appropriate means for the government of the game to that end, and it should be possessed of sufficient power to enable it so to do.

The power of the State Association to enable it to attain its object should be practically unlimited, provided, of course, that its power is properly used and this should be carefully prescribed, a matter which can be dealt with by the National Association, having in view the personnel of the Council of the State Association.

Undoubtedly, as a basis of its organization, the State Association should have exact knowledge with regard to its various units, the number and official personnel of the leagues and combinations, together with a record of their clubs, grounds and players, the latter being especially useful when providing for an adequate and proper registration of players with their transfers and releases among the various clubs within certain reasonable limits. Such precise information with regard to the respective units makes it possible,

with a little care and the proper selection of committees, to keep a fairly close watch on the general internal government of the various leagues or combinations forming part of the State Association and without in any way interfering with the internal organization of such leagues.

Also each member of the Council, whether or not a member of any committee, should make it his business to keep generally in touch with football matters outside of the meeting room of the Council and in such a way that, as a member of the Council, he would not only be fully posted as to what is going on in football generally and be able to lend his help and use his influence towards the general harmonious conduct of players, as between themselves and their clubs, and the clubs and the leagues, but in such way comport himself that a member of the Council would be respected wherever he went and thereby put the Council on a plane where it would always be held in respect.

Of course, should such member of the Council in the course of his observations notice matters affecting players, clubs or leagues which should be remedied he could bring them to the attention of the Council and, with his fellow members, devise ways and means for effecting such remedies. One result of this course of action would be that players, clubs and leagues would be taught to realize that the State Association was an actual living entity, and the knowledge of the fact among players and clubs that members of the Council were observing them would have a tendency to eliminate improper conduct on the field or in connection with clubs and their field equipment for players and spectators.

Having thus outlined in a general way the working of the organization with regard to its effectiveness, in the general government of the game, the next step is an indication of the work which should be done by the State Association in the way of developing the game wherever the opportunity presents itself among the younger element, athletic organizations and schools and colleges.

Provision for the younger element may be made by providing and equipping playing grounds and furnishing coaches for the boys free of charge. In athletic organizations by creating an interest in the game among the members thereof and furnishing such assistance as they may need in the way of acquiring a working knowledge of the game. In the schools and colleges by creating interest among the students and furnishing such expert assistance as may be required in the way of giving the game a sound foundation in such institutions.

A method of creating and retaining an interest among the juniors would be the inauguration of a series of cup and league competitions, the former for the purpose of enabling the less experienced players to test their strength against more experienced players and the latter for giving the players an opportunity of playing against opponents of their own class and gaining the necessary experience to acquire a more complete knowledge of playing the game and working up to the senior class without the danger of being dropped out of a competition in the manner peculiar to cup competitions. Considerable judgment is required in this connection, however, and the rules governing such competitions, while fair and comprehensive, should be strict and closely adhered to.

The moneys required for doing the work expected of a State Association can be secured in a manner most suitable to the local conditions; a certain percentage of the returns from a cup competition or a day set apart when all the teams should play for the benefit of the Association, or such other means as may be deemed most proper by the parties interested.

The State Association could also through its Press Committee take the necessary steps to see that the game and everything connected with it was kept before the public by means of the newspapers, etc. This Committee undoubtedly would be best served by having a newspaper man on it, as his practical knowledge of what newspapers require would serve as a good guide of what should be supplied to the newspapers in the way of information about the State Association and its doings as well as with regard to the actual playing of the game.

Aims and Objects of the Newly Formed United States Referees' Union

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Right from the beginning of football in the United States down to the present time the question of referees has been a fruitful source of argument among officials connected with the various football associations and leagues and I venture to say that ninety per cent. of the arguments finished up in the old familiar way—a shrug of the shoulders and a “Well, what are you going to do about it?” That shrug and the inevitable question following, can be found right along the line of officials with, sometimes, a little “color” added to the question.

Few officials have taken a close interest in their individual referees and fewer still have taken the matter up with the view to developing a referee. As a rule, if a referee in charge of a game makes, as a man will, a mistake or even a few mistakes, according to the club manager, there has been no one to point out the mistakes to him in the way such should be done, no one to coach him and develop the talent he had.

Coming down to tacks, however, coaching a referee must be rather a difficult, if not an impossible job, for the simple reason that only one official is allowed on the field of play in charge of a game. There are some officials who think their “position” entitles them to go on the field as they desire, but this idea of the “Big Chief” is being exploded. If we could afford to organize a school for the training of our referees, or, if we could form a referee corps in a school, on the same lines as the school football teams are formed, then we could have coaches for the aspirants to fame as a referee, just as there are coaches for the players who wish to “make” the team.

A man may stand on the side lines and watch the games every week for years or he may know the game as a player and be able to answer correctly all the questions in an oral examination, but give him a whistle and put him in charge of the game with twenty-two players and two linesmen to watch—the presence of a few thousand redhot partisans is of no account—and see what a difference comes over your smart man. Can he *think* and *act* quickly on the close points he *talked* about so glibly? I hope so, for heaven help him if he cannot, and there is no way to find this out by questions fired at him in the examination room. He must be put through the acid test in the often scornful sight of a crowd, every man of which is ready to swear he could do better with one eye shut.

A common, though perhaps, irreverent expression is that “the Lord helps them that help themselves” and the referees, acting on the suggestion, have organized associations in nearly every section where football is played to any extent. In certain sections this zeal has been carried to the extreme and the overlapping of interests has caused a little friction. To eliminate this condition of affairs has been a long and hard fight, but, without assuming any personal glory or handing out hero medals to others, the forces that exist for the real advancement of the sport, from a referee standpoint, have prevailed and unity of action among referees can reasonably be expected.

Having brought referees' associations in line from New England, Philadelphia, Northwestern New York, and elsewhere, the joint committee of the American Referees' Association and the National Referees' Association, appointed for the purpose, called a conference of delegates from these various associations in New York on June 5, 1915, and there put the final touches on the dreams of referees and formed the U. S. R. U.

Having the honor to be the first president chosen by the new Union it becomes my duty, I take it, to explain briefly the aims and objects of our

Union. There is no use for my going through the by-laws in detail, but I would like to draw the attention of the football public to our Article 3, which has three clauses as follows:

"The objects of the U. S. R. U. shall be:

"(a) To improve the status and efficiency of referees and referees' associations.

"(b) To promote and guard the interests of referees and their referees' associations.

"(c) To co-operate with all associations in control of the game and to make such suggestions as may be considered for the good of the game and the referee."

This is all the football public wishes to know of our affairs: "What are we to do for the games they pay to witness?"

We will continue the local referees' associations only so long as they can satisfy the parent body that they are capable of building their membership up on the basis of quality, not quantity, of referee efficiency. The members must be carefully trained and helped, not simply criticised, and we intend this feature shall be insisted on. Individual referees are responsible to their association and the association is responsible to the parent body for its members and for its own conduct. To be a member of a referees' association and retain that membership, referees must prove themselves efficient, otherwise they cannot be retained. We shall also see that decisions are uniform all over the country.

To promote and guard the interests of referees and their associations, means that when players of the "roughneck" type introduce "roughneck" tactics on the field they shall be properly punished, and especially if these tactics are directed at the referee in charge of the game.

Off the field the referee needs friends as strongly as he does on the field during a game and we hope that in future leagues and associations will be very careful when they wish to remove a referee from their list. The days have gone when a manager with his digestive system gone to wreck can have referees put off the list without being asked for a reason other than that his particular team was beaten in the game complained of. There are other "reasons" given, too, for sidetracking referees, but we hope to be strong enough to see fair play when the time comes for the politician to show his hand.

We do not expect or promise we will do all we have set ourselves to do right away. It may, and probably will, take a long time before we get things where we want them, but we'll get them there just the same. We have one of the best examples in American sport right in front of us to guide us in our effort. How many short moons ago is it since there was no U. S. F. A.? One or two high principled men had been dreaming and scheming of such a body for soccer, but they had a hard bed to dream on—maybe the harder the bed the more realistic the dream becomes—and these one or two patient souls seem to have been nourished on the hard knocks they had dealt them.

Their example is worthy our best efforts to emulate. What has been accomplished in legislation and control can be emulated by the referees.

In a canvass of officials connected with the game in every part of the country, the idea of a national body for referees has been highly favored. Not one official, so far as I am aware, had a poor word for it. All have offered their help and the time is coming shortly when we shall call on them for it. No angle of the game causes officials more anxiety than the referee angle. Always "kicking," club officials worry the life of a league or association secretary until he would gladly do almost anything to rid himself of the question. That is energy going to waste and we propose using that energy to such advantage that there is a gain to everybody concerned.

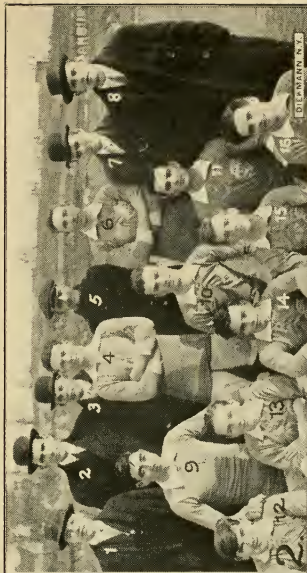
We don't intend making any effort to rule the football roost—that is not our sphere. In referee matters we claim to know a little something. Our sense of justice is all the more keen, because we hold the balance always on the field. We always try, at any rate, to give a perfectly square deal and that is all we ask of football—a square deal for the referee.



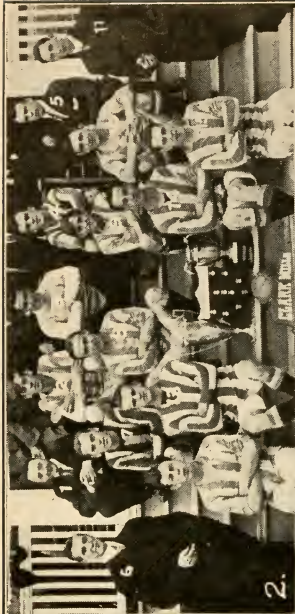
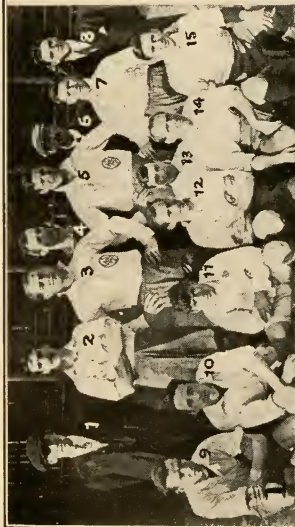
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(1) GERMAN FOOTBALL CLUB FIRST TEAM, NEW YORK CITY—1, M. Vandeweghe; 2, Porter; 3, Galloway; 4, Hager; 5, Ruben; 6, McLean; 7, Garside; 8, A. Vandeweghe; 9, Glaser; 10, Hunziker; 11, Blich. (2) GERMAN FOOTBALL CLUB SECOND TEAM, NEW YORK CITY—1, W. Krebs, Mgr.; 2, Petschke; 3, Weber; 4, Reichwagen; 5, Engelke; 6, Ruben; 7, Walther; 8, Kochler; 9, Meyerdiecks; 10, J. Vandeweghe; 11, Meyer, Capt. (3) BRONX UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK CITY—1, P. Martin, Mgr.; 2, Harper; 3, MacRae; 4, C. Burton, Sec.; 5, G. McAllister; 6, Ellis; 7, Glastitter; 8, McKavanagh; 9, Gamble; 10, Waldron; 11, J. McAllister; 12, Doig; 13, Porter; 14, Winchester. (4) COLUMBIA OVAL FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK CITY.



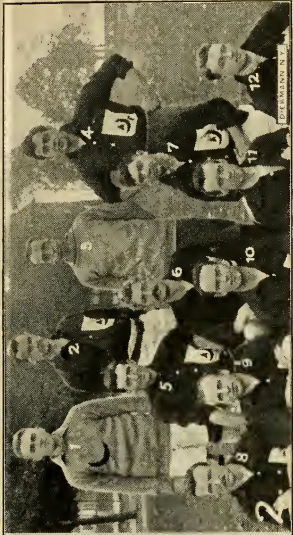
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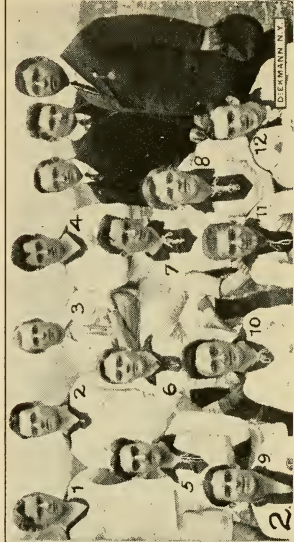
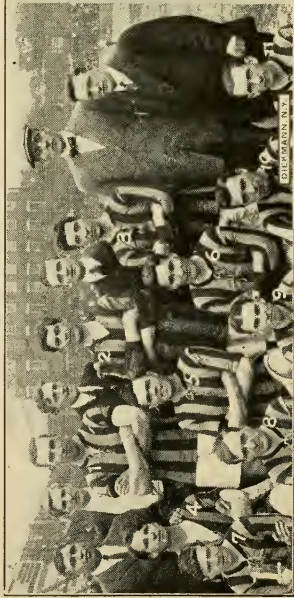
(1) GENERAL ELECTRIC FOOTBALL CLUB, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—Members Central New York State Soccer Football League—1, B. Wassell, Sec.; 2, Lewis, Capt.; 3, Winrow; 4, Drohan; 5, Good; 6, J. M. Wilkie, Mgr.; 7, I. Wassell; 8, W. Wilson, Trainer; 9, Mathieson; 10, Moule; 11, McKnight; 12, Bland; 13, Anderson; 14, Williams; 15, Smith. (2) CLARK MILLS FOOTBALL CLUB, UTICA, N. Y.—Three times winners Spalding Trophy and Champions Central New York Soccer League—1, Smith; 2, Feather; 3, Hall; 4, L. Cohen; 5, V. Cohen; 6, T. Bentley, Treas.; 7, A. Bentley; 8, Hodgson; 9, T. Hemings; 10, Hooson; 11, F. Gough, Sec. and Mgr.; 12, Stafford; 13, G. Hemings, Capt.; 14, J. Hall, Vice Capt.; 15, Creghe. (3) HUDSON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB THIRD TEAM, NEW YORK—1, Bendt; 2, Geoffroy; 3, Hoffsteade; 4, Mahan; 5, Downey; 6, Whitley; 7, Kay; 8, Cusack; 9, Hopper; 10, Walsh; 11, Fogarty; 12, Whelan; 13, F. Kay; 14, Stelkleder; 15, Halliday. (4) WHITE ROSE FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK.



CRESCENT ATHLETIC CLUB FIRST TEAM,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.



CRESCENT ATHLETIC CLUB SECOND TEAM,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.



(1) ALL-IRISH TEAM, NEW YORK—Winners of the New York Players Protective Association Competition—1, McNeil; 2, Gavin; 3, Ferguson; 4, Callahan; 5, McGreevey; 6, Butler; 7, Moran; 8, Campion; 9, O'Halloran; 10, Fleming; (2) CONTINENTALS FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW YORK—Runners-up in New York Players Protective Association Competition—1, Walthers; 2, M. Vandeweghe; 3, Dillman; 4, A. Vandeweghe; 5, Hegar; 6, Rost; 7, J. Vandeweghe; 8, Bullmeyer; 9, Hunziker; 10, Glaser; 11, Bleich; 12, Meyers.



MICHAEL H. MURRAY
DIED MARCH 16, 1915

Of those who have passed away in the last year, soccer football lost one of its most faithful and admirable friends in the death of Michael H. Murray of Newark. Born in Londonderry, Ireland, in 1854, Mr. Murray was early an athlete and as a young man was a frequent competitor and winner in sports and games. He brought his fondness for sports to this country and when he prospered in Newark he developed into one of the most generous patrons of amateur sport in all that section of New Jersey. Mr. Murray had no patience with professional sport. When moneymaking became an object, he contended, the element of sport passed out and a purely commercial proposition came in. Of all amateur sports, soccer appealed to him most strongly and no amateur organization in Newark and the contiguous territory ever appealed to him for aid in vain. His purse was always open and the Michael H. Murray Challenge Cup is one of the handsomest trophies in existence. He was modest in all his ways, and as a condition to the vast majority of his gifts, he insisted that nothing should be said of them. He preferred to remain in the background as an anonymous donor rather than have his philanthropy misconstrued.

The same freehanded generosity that marked his patronage of sports was evident in all his friendships. He was a man of a most lovable character, a friend who could be relied upon at all hazards and in all weathers and a man in whose heart or brain was no knowledge of how to be unjust or unfair in any human relationship. In his passing soccer lost one of the finest friends it ever had, and Newark one of its best citizens.

THOMAS W. CAHILL.



1, Edward P. Duffy, Newark, N. J., Chairman Press Committee U. S. F. A., Seasons 1914-15-16; Member of U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16. 2, Charles K. Murray, Newark, N. J. 3, James Henderson, Newark, N. J. 4, Robert McKay, West Hudson Football Club. 5, John Watt, Clifton, N. J., Honorary President American Football Association of Newark, N. J. 6, Andrew M. Brown, Yonkers, N. Y., President A. F. A. of Newark, N. J., Seasons 1913-14-15-16; Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16. 7, Duncan Carswell, Orange, N. J., Vice-President A. F. A. of Newark, N. J., Seasons 1915-16. 8, Harry Craig, Treasurer A. F. A. of Newark, N. J., Seasons 1910-16. 9, A. N. Beveridge, Kearny, N. J., Secretary A. F. A. of Newark, N. J., 1910-16. 10, Sid Christopher, Newark, N. J., President of the National Association Football League, Seasons 1914-15-16. 11, John Lone, Kearny, N. J., Secretary National Association Football League, 1910-1916. 12, Alfred Tyrrell, Brooklyn, N. Y., Vice-President National Association Football League, Season 1915-16. 13, J. Stenger, Bayonne, N. J., Honorary Secretary Rabcock and Wilcox F. C. of Bayonne, N. J., Seasons 1914-15-16. 14, James Marshall, Kearny, N. J., Secretary New Jersey Soccer Football Association; Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16. 15, Wm. M. Davidson, Bayonne, N. J., Member U. S. F. A. Council, 1915-16. 16, John Brown, Harrison, N. J., President West Hudson Football Club, 1914-15.



1, SCOTTISH AMERICAN FOOTBALL CLUB, NEWARK, N. J.—A. F. A. Cup Winners, Season 1914-15—1, Conn; 2, Purdie; 3, R. Stark; 4, Townman, Capt.; 5, M. McMillan, Treas; 6, Rogers; 7, East; 8, D. P. McMillan, Mgr.; 9, Knowles; 10, Barry; 11, D. M. Stark, Sec.; 12, Conlon; 13, C. Wardell, Trainer; 14, Smith; 15, T. Stark; 16, A. Stark; 17, Whiston; 18, Holt; 19, Monticelli; 20, Heminsley; 21, A. F. A. Cup; 22, Forfar. (2) WEST HUDSON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB, KEARNY, N. J.—Champions National A. F. A. League—1, Craig; 2, Muir; 3, Napier; 4, Cowan, Mascot; 5, Carney; 6, Adam, Mgr.; 7, Lennox, Capt.; 8, Post; 9, Ingram; 10, Lawson; 11, McHollin; 12, Knowles; 13, Cooper; 14, Lowe; 15, Brierley. (3) BAYCOCK AND WILCOX FOOTBALL CLUB, BAYONNE, N. J.—1, R. Dick, Asst. Trainer; 2, N. Davidson, Chairman; 3, Gehel; 4, Kesson; 5, Harding; 6, D. Boyd, Trainer; 7, Holden; 8, Tait; 9, Cooper; 10, Aitken, Capt.; 11, Findlay (Scottish International); 12, R. Smith; 13, Moore; 14, J. Dick, Mgr.

Intercollegiate Soccer

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Soccer throughout the colleges and schools of this country took a decided boom last year, as was evidenced by the large number of new teams that took up the sport, by the increased interest in the game from the spectators' standpoint, and by the better standard of game played. Reports from various sections of the country show that new colleges are being added to the game quite rapidly. In addition, scores of schools are now taking up soccer seriously. As noted last year, very many of the schools have begun soccer as part of their physical education system. Though this may be a rather official way in which to start a game, still it has always been shown that after a short time boys get greatly interested in soccer and play it for its own sake. The large number of scholastic players who are being developed all over the country is the best guarantee of the future of this sport. They are forming in many colleges the nucleus for college teams, and the appearance of soccer in many of our colleges is actually due to the fact that soccer has taken hold throughout the schools. Not only is the game being taken up officially by physical educators, but the boys themselves are organizing leagues throughout many school districts, and leagues are also being formed in many new college centers.

The game is also becoming recognized on its merits. The advocates of college football are at last coming to see that soccer has many advantages and that there is plenty of room for it in addition to their own game. Many people are also beginning to show an interest in soccer from the spectators' standpoint. Bigger crowds are turning out each season, and it is only a matter of a few more years until soccer will attract large crowds for the best matches.

The season of the Intercollegiate Soccer League was in many ways the best that has ever been known. In the first place, it was found that the changing of the season to the fall was admirable. Many enjoyed the games much better than during the previous spring seasons, and the standard of play was considerably better. The playing of the game in the fall also set the game squarely on its own feet and it was found that it could get along very well, even in spite of the fact that college football was being played at the same time.

Pennsylvania went through the season without a defeat. Cornell was the only team able to tie them and victories were scored over all the others. Pennsylvania's play was probably better than any team that the League has ever had. The team was well rounded, both the offense and the defense being well looked after. This is shown by the fact that in the choice for the All-America soccer team Pennsylvania's men were selected both in the back field and on the forward line. Hopkins was the choice for goal; Webster, the All-America right full-back; Mohr, the right half-back, while Baron was chosen for outside right forward. The Pennsylvania team was well coached and depended on the passing game to a very great extent. The backs made a definite effort to pass the ball to the forwards, and all of the backs were fairly good in heading the ball. In this latter department of play, the college men in general showed quite an advance last year, though as yet heading the ball on college teams is still poor compared to the skill shown in this respect by many of the club teams.

Harvard finished second in the League. They had a good team, but its effectiveness was greatly marred by weak shooting at goal. Jennings, at inside right, and Weld, at outside left, were the stars of the team.

Cornell had by far the best team in their history. For the first time they got out of last place, and, though they won but one game, their defense was so strong that they drew four other matches. Lynch, at center half, was

considered the best half-back in any of the colleges. Criefelds, at goal, was a real star and was in a great measure responsible for the low scores against Cornell.

Princeton and Columbia finished in a tie for fourth place. The Tigers played good ball all season, being especially strong on the defense. Gates was the star of the team and was chosen as left full-back on the All-America eleven.

Columbia had a very disappointing season. With all the men back from the previous year, it was expected that they would have a big advantage over the other teams in the League. The team work failed to materialize and fourth place was the best they could get in the League. Shanholt was the star of the team and was responsible for most of their goals.

Yale also had a disappointing season. They finished next to last in the League. The poor showing of the Yale eleven was inexplicable, as they had a good lot of candidates, several of them with experience. The team was handicapped by injuries, and only in the first game was the full eleven in the field. Tripp, at outside right, was the star. It was quite a surprise to many that he was not chosen on the All-America eleven. For the first time in the history of the League, Yale failed to get any players on the All-America team.

In general, it may be stated that the standard of play throughout the League was higher last fall than ever before. This was shown by all the teams in the league in their matches with the various clubs in their localities. Pennsylvania made a very good showing against some of the strongest clubs in and around Philadelphia. Columbia also showed up well in their matches with the amateur teams of New York, while Harvard made a better showing than ever before against the Boston clubs.

The league felt that the experiment of having the season in the fall had been a great success. Harvard and Haverford were the only two colleges that seemed to be handicapped by the change. Both of those teams expect that this year they will overcome the difficulties that confronted them last season. The playing of the games in the fall, contrary to general opinion, drew attention to soccer, as it showed the colleges that soccer is a distinct game from college football and that it has a place of its own in college ranks.

STANDING OF COLLEGES IN LEAGUE FOR 1914.

Colleges.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
Pennsylvania	6	5	..	1	11
Harvard	6	3	1	2	8
Cornell	6	1	1	4	6
Columbia	6	2	3	1	5
Princeton	6	1	2	3	5
Yale	6	1	3	2	4
Haverford	6	1	4	1	3

INTERCOLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE, 1915.

Officers—President, M. Gates, Princeton; vice-president, J. Maxwell, Haverford; secretary-treasurer, L. G. Grinnell, Cornell.

Captains and managers of teams in Intercollegiate Association Football League, 1915, are as follows: Pennsylvania—H. H. Wende, manager; S. C. Hirst, 2d, captain. Harvard—Arthur Dixon, manager; W. W. Weld, captain. Yale—J. Robbins, manager; W. L. Tucker, captain. Cornell—L. G. Grinnell, manager; Frank Thomas, captain. Columbia—R. D. Franklin, manager; H. A. Buermeyer, captain. Haverford—J. Gordon Maxwell, manager; F. W. Cary, captain. Princeton—F. W. Bailey, manager; Moore Gates, captain.

All-America College Soccer Team for Fall of 1914

The vote by the managers of the Intercollegiate Association Football League for the All-America College Soccer Team resulted in Pennsylvania getting four places, Cornell and Harvard two each, and Columbia, Haverford and Princeton one each. Yale was left out entirely. The team selected is as follows:

Goal.....Hopkins, Pennsylvania	Left Half-back.....Dyer, Cornell
Right Full-back...Webster, Pennsylvania	Outside Right.....Baron, Pennsylvania
Left Full-back.....Gates, Princeton	Inside Right.....Jennings, Harvard
Right Half-back.....Mohr, Pennsylvania	Center Forward...H.H. Shanholt, Columbia
Center Half-back.....Lynch, Cornell	Inside Left.....Cary, Haverford
	Outside Left.....Weld, Harvard

ALL-AMERICA INTERCOLLEGIATE SOCCER TEAM.

The following, chosen by George W. Orton and D. Stewart of Philadelphia is interesting, expressing as it does the opinions of two competent followers of the game, Dr. Orton being the editor of the College Soccer Guide, while Mr. Douglas Stewart is probably the best known referee in the United States. The selections, in many respects, are similar to the official list of the league itself.

Goal .....Hopkins, Pennsylvania	Left Half-back.....Dyer, Cornell
Right Full-back...Webster, Pennsylvania	Outside Right.....Baron, Pennsylvania
Left Full-back.....Chubb, Harvard	Inside Right.....Gates, Princeton
Right Half-back.....Mohr, Pennsylvania	Center Forward....Frazier, Pennsylvania
Center Half-back.....Lynch, Cornell	Inside Left.....Shanholt, Columbia
	Outside Left.....Weld, Harvard

American Football Association Cup Competition, Season 1914-15

BY CHARLES K. MURRAY.

After battling to win the old American cup for fifteen years the Scottish-Americans of Newark at last won this honor, being returned winners of the American trophy and champions of the American Football Association for 1914-1915. Twice previously the Scots had reached the final, but were defeated on both occasions, and their followers were beginning to despair of ever seeing the Scots' name engraved on the historical trophy. But the Scots surprised everybody by the brand of football and gameness they exhibited. The team that won the cup for the Scots was far from being a star aggregation. It was made up of a bunch of youngsters, backed up by a few seasoned veterans, and the whole working together in perfect harmony brought about the defeat many times of teams admittedly far superior to the Scots.

The youngsters to gain fame and glory on the Scots team were the Stark brothers, Tom and Archie, Eddie Holt, Bunt Forfar, Joe Hemmsley, Rogers, Angus Whiston, Barry and Joe Knowles. The veterans of the team, all of whom helped materially in the Scots success, were Billy Fenwick, Hedley Purdie, Mike Toman (captain) and, later, Alex Montieith.

The usual upsets occurred in the competition and clubs which looked as if they had an excellent chance to land the trophy were unexpectedly defeated. The most notable instance of this was the fall of the powerful all-star Bethlehem F. C. eleven, which succumbed to the Brooklyn Celtics in the semi-final round. This proved to be one of the most exciting games in the competition and the result was a great surprise to the big crowd present. The elimination of the West Hudsons by the Scottish-Americans in the semi-final round was also sensational.

RESULTS OF CUP TIES.

The results of games in the cup competition, from the preliminary round played in October to the final played in April, were as follows:

Preliminary round—Haledon Thistles 0, Olympic F. C. 0; replay, Olympic F. C. 6, Haledon Thistles 0; Riordan F. C. 1, Babcock & Wilcox F. C. 3.

New Jersey District—First round: Scottish-Americans 1, True Blues 0; West Hudsons 4, Paterson Rangers 0; Alley Boys 0, Hawthorne F. C. 0; replay, Alley Boys 2, Hawthorne F. C. 0; Greenville F. C. 0, Olympic F. C. 2; Totowa Rovers 0, Babcock & Wilcox F. C. 0; replay, Babcock & Wilcox F. C. 6, Totowa Rovers 1; Jersey A. C. 4, Newark F. C. 1.

New York District—First round: Clan McDonald F. C. 3, Bronx United F. C. 0; Yonkers F. C. 3, Hollywood Inn F. C. 0; Brooklyn F. C. 1, Brooklyn Celtics 1; replay, Brooklyn Celtics 5, Brooklyn F. C. 1.

Pennsylvania District—First round: Bethlehem F. C. 6, West Philadelphia F. C. 0; Disston F. C. 5, Philadelphia Hibernians 1; Victor F. C. a bye.

Schenectady District—First round: General Electric F. C. 1, Locomotive F. C. 0.

New England District—First round: Fall River Rovers 5, Academy F. C. of Ansonia, Conn., 0; Bridgeport City F. C. 3, Presbyterian F. C. of Bridgeport 0; Ansonia F. C. 1, Farr Alpaca F. C. of Holyoke 2.

Second round—Brooklyn Celtics 8, Paterson Olympics 2; West Hudsons 2, Babcock & Wilcox F. C. 2; replay, West Hudson 5, Babcock & Wilcox F. C. 0; Disston F. C. 3, Bridgeport City F. C. 1; General Electric F. C. 3, Farr Alpaca F. C. 2; protested, replay, General Electric F. C., forfeited to Farr Alpaca; Yonkers F. C. 1, Victor F. C. of Philadelphia 3; Bethlehem F. C. 2, Clan McDonald F. C. 0; Jersey A. C., 4, Fall River Rovers 2; Scottish Americans 2, Alley Boys 1.

Third round—Bethlehem F. C. 6, Farr Alpaca F. C. 1; West Hudsons 4, Disston F. C. 1; Scottish Americans 3, Victor F. C. 1; Jersey A. C. 0, Brooklyn Celtics 1.

Semi-final round—Brooklyn Celtics 2, Bethlehem F. C. 1; Scottish Americans 2, West Hudsons 1.

THE FINAL.

The final between the Scottish Americans and the Brooklyn Celtics was played at Bartell's Park, in the Vallsburg section of Newark, on Sunday, April 18. The weather was ideal for the game, although a trifle warm. A big crowd saw the game, there being close to 5,000 present. The Irishmen were favorites to win the cup, but the New Jersey followers of the game were pulling hard for the Scots to land the cup. The Celts failed to maintain their fine form shown in the early rounds, however, and, altogether their showing was a poor one, particularly their forward line. The Scots won the game by 1 goal to 0. The winning goal came in the second half and was scored by Archie Stark on a beautiful shot, which beat Mather, the Celtic goalkeeper, all the way. The famous Celts failed utterly to pierce the Scots defense, numerous chances to score being lost by bad shooting. Even Mike King failed to find the net, although it must be said he had several great tries. It was a typical final, both teams fighting desperately for victory, much wild kicking being indulged in and very little clever football shown. The teams were:

Scottish Americans.	Positions.	Brooklyn Celtics.
Knowles	Goal.....	Mather
Toman	Right Back.....	Robertson
Barry	Left Back.....	McWilliams
T. Stark	Right Half-back.....	Flanigan
Rogers	Center Half-back.....	McElroy
Montieth	Left Half-back.....	McGreevey
Hemmsley	Outside Right.....	Campion
A. Stark	Inside Right.....	Lonie
Whiston	Center.....	O'Halloran
Holt	Inside Left.....	King
Forfar	Outside Left.....	McQueen

Referee—George Young of Philadelphia. Linesmen—Allan Montgomery and Charles E. Creighton of New York.

AMERICAN CUP WINNERS.

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| 1885—O. N. T., Newark. | 1898—Arlington A.A., Kearny. |
| 1886—O. N. T., Newark. | 1906—West Hudson F.C., Harrison, |
| 1887—O. N. T., Newark. | 1907—Clark A.A., East Newark. |
| 1888—Fall River Rovers. | 1908—West Hudsons, Harrison. |
| 1889—Fall River Rovers. | 1909—True Blues, Paterson. |
| 1890—Olympics, Fall River. | 1910—Tacony F.C., Tacony, Pa. |
| 1891—East Ends, Fall River. | 1911—Howard & Bullough F.C., Paw- |
| 1892—East Ends, Fall River. | tucket, R. I. |
| 1893—Pawtucket Free Wanderers. | 1912—West Hudson F.C., Harrison. |
| 1894—Olympics, Fall River. | 1913—True Blues, Paterson. |
| 1895—Caledonians, Kearny. | 1914—Bethlehem F.C., Bethlehem, Pa. |
| 1896—True Blues, Paterson. | 1915—Scottish Americans of Newark. |
| 1897—Manx Eleven, Philadelphia. | |

Note—From 1899 to 1905, inclusive, there was no competition for the cup.

New York Footballers' Protective Association

BY THEO. DILLMAN, NEW YORK CITY.

Officers—Hon. president, G. R. Manning, M. D.; Hon. vice-presidents, W. Hollywood, Dr. Ginnever, W. F. Esling, F. C. Hyde; president, T. C. Cliff; vice-president, J. Dennison; treasurer, Theo. Dillman; secretary, Robert Graham. Executive Committee—Manhattan, C. Meyer, H. Shorrock, H. H. Shanholt; Brooklyn, J. McCann, A. Jonas, H. Konesky; Bronx, E. Newman, W. Newman, F. Maskell; Yonkers, W. Raitt, C. Henderson, G. Salmon; New Jersey, T. Bagnall, D. Stewart, J. Lone.

The New York Footballers' Protective Association, organized August 6, 1912, has completed its third successful season. One hundred and thirty-four players were enrolled as members and \$129.75 paid out to eleven injured members. The International competition, which is run off every year as a means of revenue to aid the Association in meeting claims from injured players, brought forth some very interesting and well contested games. England and America were drawn for the first round, which was played at Lenox Oval on Thanksgiving Day, 1914. The following players took the field:

England.	Positions.	America.
J. Irving, Camerons.....	Goal.....	J. Reilly, Clan MacDuff
K. Napier, West Hudsons.....	Right Back.....	R. Ellis, Columbia Oval
A. Ronson, Jersey A. C.....	Left Back.....	J. Robertson, Clan MacDonalds
W. Garland, St. George.....	Right Half.....	C. Stahl, Camerons
H. Mathews, Brooklyn F. C.....	Center Half.....	J. Graham, Our Boys
J. Durney, N. Y. Celtics.....	Left Half.....	H. Meyers, Columbia Oval
J. Carver, Yonkers F. C.....	Outside Right.....	C. Zehnbauer, Jersey A. C.
A. Lonie, Brooklyn Celtic.....	Inside Right.....	E. Newman, St. George
J. Hayes, Jersey A. C.	Center.....	O. Meyers, Columbia Oval
J. Toal, Columbia Oval.....	Inside Left.....	M. Kelly, Bay Ridge
W. Edwards, Hudson United.....	Outside Left.....	J. Quinn, White Rose

England won by 3 goals to 1. This left the following four countries for the semi-final rounds: England, Ireland, Scotland, and Continent. At a meeting held at Tuxedo Hall on December 16, 1914, the drawing for the two semi-finals took place with the following result: Scotland vs. Ireland, and England vs. Continent. The former game was played at Lenox Oval on New Year's Day. The following teams lined up:

Scotland.	Positions.	Ireland.
Porter, Continentals.....	Goal.....	Gavin, Our Boys
Stewart, Camerons.....	Right Back.....	McNeil, Hudson United
Gibb, Clan MacDonald	Left Back.....	Dowris, Camerons
Bruce, Camerons.....	Right Half.....	Waters, N. Y. Celtics
McCann, Clan MacDonald.....	Center Half.....	O'Hare, N. Y. Celtics
Dye, Clan MacDonald.....	Left Half.....	Butler, N. Y. Celtics
Isaac, Camerons.....	Outside Right.....	Campion, Brooklyn Celtics
Connolly, Our Boys.....	Inside Right.....	Fleming, Greenpoint
Stewart, Jersey A. C.	Center.....	O'Halloran, Brooklyn Celtics
Ferguson, Clan MacDonald.....	Inside Left.....	King, Brooklyn Celtica
Mackay, Jersey A. C.....	Outside Left.....	Dickson, Columbia Oval

Ireland surprised everybody by beating Scotland, the two-times winner, 4 to 1. The English and Continental teams played the other semi-final on Washington's Birthday at Lenox Oval. The teams were as follows:

England.	Positions.	Continent.
Mather, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Goal.....	Dillman, Capt., Columbia Oval
McWilliams, Capt., Brooklyn Celtics.....	Right Back.....	M. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Shorrock, Camerons.....	Left Back.....	Glaser, Continentals
Matthews, Brooklyn F. C.....	Right Half.....	Hager, Continentals
Holbrook, Columbia Oval.....	Center Half.....	Rost, Columbia Oval
Durney, N. Y. Celtics.....	Left Half.....	J. VandeWeghe, Continentals
B. Maskell, Columbia Oval.....	Outside Right.....	Walters, Continentals
Lonie, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Inside Right.....	A. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Carver, Yonkers F. C.	Center.....	Bleich, Continentals
Toal, Columbia Oval.....	Inside Left.....	Hunziker, Continentals
Puxty, Overseas.....	Outside Left.....	Meyerdirks, Bronx United

This game proved to be the closest of the entire competition and the Continentals won finally by the score of 3 to 2. One of the two goals scored against the Continentals was the result of a penalty kick, the other one a self goal by Glaser.

The final game between Ireland and Continent was played at Lenox Oval on Saturday, May 29. The following two teams took the field:

Ireland.	Positions.	Continent.
Gavin, Our Boys.....	Goal.....	Dillman (Capt.), Columbia Oval
McNeil (Capt.), Hudson United.....	Right Back.....	M. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Ferguson, Our Boys.....	Left Back.....	A. VandeWeghe, Continentals
O'Callaghan, Our Boys.....	Right Half.....	Hager, Continentals
McGreevey, Brooklyn Celtics.....	Center Half.....	Rost, Columbia Oval
Butler, Brooklyn F. C.....	Left Half.....	J. VandeWeghe, Continentals
Moran.....	Outside Right.....	Meyerdirks, Continentals
Campion, Brooklyn Celtic F. O.....	Inside Right.....	Bleich, Continentals
O'Halloran, Brooklyn Celtic F. O.....	Center.....	Glaser, Continentals
Fleming, Greenpoint.....	Inside Left.....	Hunziker, Continentals
Dickson, I. R. T.....	Outside Left.....	W. Meyer, Continentals

The Continentals did not play up to their usual form and the Irish team, which showed a very good and speedy combination, won the game and the gold medals by the score of 4 to 1.

It is to be hoped that a good many more football players will join the New York Footballers' Protective Association this coming season than the past one, and every manager who has the good and welfare of his team at heart ought to see to it that his players become members. The annual membership dues, 50 cents, are so small that every New York footballer ought to be a member. The best of us get hurt sometimes, so come on, boys, and fall in line!

Review of Season from All Sections, 1914-15

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

ORGANIZED 1906.

Affiliated with the United States Football Association and Southern New York State Football Association.

By W. HOLLYWOOD, BROOKLYN.

Officers.—President, Thos. Bagnall; vice-president, R. W. Holder; secretary-treasurer, Wilfrid Hollywood, 217 Fifty-fifth Street, Brooklyn.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS FOR SEASON 1914-15.

First Division.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Brooklyn Celtic	18	16	2	0	38	10	32
Continental	18	14	2	2	62	23	30
Yonkers	18	11	6	1	43	24	23
Columbia Oval	18	7	5	6	39	24	*21
New York Celtic.....	18	9	8	1	32	25	19
Camerons	18	6	7	5	30	34	17
Clan MacDuff	18	6	10	2	26	25	14
Clan Chisholm Rangers.....	18	6	10	2	17	35	*13
Hollywood Inn	18	5	12	1	16	30	11
Clan MacKenzie	18	0	18	0	9	82	0

* Columbia and Rangers game unfinished, score 1 goal each, but the referee awarded the game to Columbia.

Second Division.

Our Boys	22	16	3	3	51	15	*35
Bay Ridge	22	17	4	1	53	17	*35
White Rose	22	13	7	2	44	23	23
I. R. T. Strollers.....	22	11	5	6	38	37	23
Fultons	22	12	6	4	38	39	23
Hudson United	22	10	10	2	45	40	22
Clan Scott	22	9	12	1	33	33	19
St. George	22	7	11	4	22	26	18
Oversea Wanderers	22	5	11	6	38	47	16
Longfellows	22	7	13	2	29	44	16
Greenpoint	22	6	14	2	21	43	14
Mecca	22	1	21	0	13	52	2

* Our Boys and Bay Ridge tied for first place; Our Boys won the deciding game by 1 to 0.

The season of 1914-15 was the most successful in the history of the New York State League, both from a playing and a financial view; in fact, it is doubtful if another league in this country showed the class of soccer which the New Yorkers furnished the patrons of the sport in Manhattan during the past season.

The most notable achievements of the New York players during the past season was their two victories over the picked elevens of the National Association Football League of New Jersey and the best team that could be selected from the Southern New England League. The former contest was played at Harrison, N. J., December 25, 1914, and resulted in a victory for the Manhattanites by 4 to 2, while the New England fixture took place at New Bedford, Mass., on April 19, 1915, on which occasion the New Yorkers clearly demonstrated their superiority by defeating the Down Easters by 1 goal to 0.

The Brooklyn Celtic F. C., which won the league championship for the third time in succession, succeeded in being finalist in both the National Challenge Cup Competition under the auspices of the U. S. F. A. and in the A. F. A., but in both met defeat, in the former by the Bethlehem F. C. and the latter by the Scottish-Americans.

Notwithstanding the Irishmen's defeat in both cup competitions, they were one of the greatest soccer aggregations in this country and will most likely be a most important factor in determining the soccer championship for the season of 1915-16.

The Continental F. C. made a good showing for their first year in the upper circle by finishing in second place. They also won the Southern New York State Cup. Keen competition took place between the other clubs in the league, excepting in the case of the Clan MacKenzie, who did not even get one point. In the Second Division the fight for promotion was keenly contested until the last month of the season, when the Fultons and the I. R. T. dropped out of the running and left Our Boys and Bay Ridge to settle the question of supremacy. When the schedule was completed it was found that both clubs were equal with 35 points each and a deciding game had to be arranged. Our Boys won the deciding game by 1 goal to 0 and thus were entitled to have their name inscribed upon the cup which goes to the winners of the Second Division. Our Boys proved themselves to be one of the best teams in the entire league, as they met and defeated many of the top notchers, and they should be able to make a good showing this season in the upper circle. The Bay Ridge club for their first season in the league are to be complimented upon their performance, which also entitles them to promotion. The clubs in the Second Division were more in the limelight during the past season, as many of their players were honored by being selected to play in representative games. The league was very fortunate in having first call upon the members of the National Football Referees' Association to referee their games. Mr. C. E. Creighton attended practically every league meeting and the referees can rest assured that their interests were well looked after by that gentleman. President Bagnall, who has been at the head of the New York State League since 1909, deserves great credit for the able manner in which he has conducted the affairs of the Empire State organization since he has been at the helm, this being especially true of the past season, and to his untiring efforts must a great deal of the success of soccer in New York be attributed.

NATIONAL LEAGUE OF NEW JERSEY VS. NEW YORK STATE LEAGUE.

The third annual game between the above leagues was played at Harrison, N. J., on December 25, 1914. Each league had one victory to its credit, so this game was looked forward to with much interest by the followers of both leagues, but unfortunately the weather broke down and only 300 fans turned out to see the game, which was a revelation to all present, considering the condition of the ground.

National League Team.	Position.	New York State League Team.
J. Cummings, Jersey A. C.	Goal	F. Porter, Continentals
K. Napier, West Hudson	Right Back	J. Waters, New York Celtic
S. Spicer, Brooklyns	Left Back	H. McWilliam, Brooklyn Celtic
R. Muir, West Hudsons	Right Half-Back	J. McElroy, Brooklyn Celtic
J. McCann, Clan MacDonald	Center Half-Back	F. O'Hare, New York Celtic
P. Butler, Brooklyns	Left Half-Back	W. Kidd, Yonkers
J. McHolland, West Hudsons	Outside Right	A. Vandeweghe, Continentals
A. Stark, Scotts	Inside Right	A. Lonie, Brooklyn Celtic
J. Hayes, Jersey A. C.	Center	R. O'Halloran, Brooklyn Celtic
P. Sweeney, Brooklyns	Inside Left	M. King, Brooklyn Celtic
J. Cooper, West Hudsons	Outside Left	S. Puxty, Oversea Wanderers

Referee—C. E. Creighton, National Football Referees' Association. Linesmen—G. Milne, Newark F. C., and W. Raitt, Yonkers F. C.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE VS. NEW YORK STATE LEAGUE.

Through the efforts of President Fernley of the U. S. F. A. and President Bagnall of the New York State League a game was arranged between the above leagues. The game took place on Monday, April 19, 1915, at New Bedford, Mass. The New York team, in charge of Secretary Hollywood, left New York on Sunday, April 18. When the teams took the field there were about 2,500 spectators on hand. Vandeweghe started the game for New York and right away Powers was called upon to save at the expense of a corner which Newman sent behind. From the kick-off Harvey obtained possession of the ball and carried it into the visitors' territory and passing to Swords, that player had a good try to beat Porter, but the latter was not to be caught napping. Play became very fast, each goal being threatened in its turn, but both defenses were equal to the task set them. After half an hour's play MacDonald opened the score with a terrific shot which gave Powers no chance. Play continued to be very even until the interval. Upon resuming, the New Englanders set to work and Porter had to save shots from Sullivan, Boots and Shaw, but "Fred" was equal to the task, and C. Kelly, at back, gave him every help in keeping a clean record. Hughie Kelly, a former New Yorker, was very anxious to shine against his old colleagues and very often he was up among his forwards trying to pop the ball past Porter. Then New York returned to the attacking and Greer and Baines were kept busy. In the last few minutes of the game Swords shot and everybody thought the equalizer had come, but Porter brought off a brilliant save and New York retired winners by 1 goal. The game was a success in every way and will be played annually.

New England League Team.	Position.	New York State League Team.
T. Powers.....	Goal.....	F. Porter
R. Greer.....	Right Back.....	M. Vandeweghe
T. Baines.....	Left Back.....	C. Kelly
R. Haworth.....	Right Half-Back.....	J. Toal
J. Blakley.....	Center Half-Back.....	P. Douris
H. Kelly.....	Left Half-Back.....	D. Bell
J. Harvey.....	Outside Right.....	E. Newman
R. Boots.....	Inside Right.....	S. MacDonald
J. Sullivan.....	Center.....	A. Vandeweghe
T. Swords.....	Inside Left.....	R. Hunziker
W. Shaw.....	Outside Left.....	S. Puxty

Referee—Mr. Gore, New England Referees' Association. Linesmen—W. Hall, New Bedford, and P. O'Callaghan, New York.

SOUTHERN NEW YORK STATE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

BY PAUL HAYES, NEW YORK.

Officers—President, T. C. Cliff; vice-president, W. Hollywood; treasurer, Maurice Vandeweghe; secretary, Paul Hayes, 301 West Thirty-seventh street, New York city; delegates, Thos. Bagnall and D. Bell.

The association is in a position to report a most successful season 1914-1915. Twelve regular meetings were held during the season, and all matters coming before the committee were disposed of in a manner satisfactory to all concerned. A pleasing feature of the year's work was the unusually small number of appeals from league decisions which were filed by clubs under the jurisdiction of the association. This points to the fact that the clubs have been particularly satisfied with the legislation of the leagues to which they belong. It means that the clubs have sent to the league meetings delegates who take an active interest in the affairs that come up for consideration and who are capable of rendering an honest and just decision. This has made the work of the governing body much lighter, besides minimizing the

possibility of hard feeling that sometimes arises from the association upsetting or endorsing the action of any of its subsidiaries. The Southern New York State Challenge Cup competition enrolled twenty-seven clubs, which is a gain of six clubs over the previous year. The competition was fought in an exciting manner, and although the German F. C. captured the final honors, at no time did they appear to have a sure thing. Our Boys, Schenectady and Yonkers all were in at the finish, there being only one goal separating the winners and losers in the semi-final. The final tie was contested at Clark's Oval, East Newark, between German F. C. and Yonkers F. C. The surprising feature of the final was the disappointing reversal of form of the Yonkers contingent, who were easily outclassed by their Teutonic rivals.

The following is the competition record complete, season 1914-15:

First round—Mecca F. C. forfeited to Our Boys; Newburgh forfeited to Schenectady after playing a tie game; Yonkers Thistle forfeited to Brooklyn Celtic F. C.; Cameron F. C. 4, Greenpoint F. C. 0; St. George F. C. 3, White Rose F. C. 2; Overseas F. C. 2, Bay Ridge F. C. 4; New York Celtic F. C. forfeited to German F. C.; I. R. T. Strollers F. C. 3, Clan Chisholm F. C. 0; Hollywood Inn forfeited to Columbia Oval after a tie game; Yonkers won from Brooklyn F. C. on forfeit; Bronx United F. C. 1, Clan MacDuff F. C. 2.

Second round—Bay Ridge 0, Brooklyn Celtic F. C. 5; McDuff won on forfeit by Patchogue; Columbia Oval 4, Longfellow 1; St. George F. C. 1, German F. C. 3; Our Boys F. C. 3; I. R. T. F. C. 2; Schenectady 3, Cameron F. C. 0; Yonkers 8, Hudson Un. F. C. 0; McDonald F. C. 4, Visitation F. C. 0.

Third round—Brooklyn Celtic F. C. 0, Yonkers F. C. 3; Clan McDonald 0, Our Boys F. C. 1; German F. C. 1, Columbia Oval F. C. 0; McDuff F. C. 1, Schenectady F. C. 3.

Semi-final round—Yonkers F. C. 3, Schenectady F. C. 2; German F. C. 4, Our Boys F. C. 2.

Final round—German F. C. 3, Yonkers F. C. 0.

ROCHESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Affiliated with the N. W. N. Y. S. F. A.

BY WILLIAM G. PETERS, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Officers.—President, Frank Gallagher; vice-president, Peter Duffis; secretary, William G. Peters; financial secretary, Joe McDonald; treasurer, Harry Hughes.

STANDING OF CLUBS.

	Games.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	For.	Against.	Points.
MacNaughton Rangers F. C.....	12	10	1	1	48	17	*29
Rochester City F. C.....	15	12	1	2	55	16	†23
Celtic F. C.....	14	5	0	9	32	44	‡12
Rochester Wanderers F. C.....	12	3	1	8	27	40	‡5
Eagles F. C.....	7	2	0	5	9	23	4
Rob Roy F. C.....	8	0	1	7	12	48	1

*MacNaughton Rangers allowed 8 points; opponents failed to appear. †Deducted 2 points for playing ineligible player. ‡Awarded 2 points; opponents failed to appear. Rob Roy played the first part of the season (disbanded). Eagles entered latter part of season.

The season of 1914 of the Rochester and District League proved a big success, both financially and as far as football was concerned. A new playing schedule was arranged, instead of a spring and fall series, as heretofore, one continuous season being decided upon, commencing April 12, 1914, finishing December 13, 1914. The season was a strenuous one on the players, owing to replays, etc., and the games being played during the summer months.

The season can safely be said to have been the greatest that Rochester has ever enjoyed. The game made greater strides in popular favor, in the proper

direction, than it ever had before, and the indications are that a substantial increase in patronage will be shown as the seasons roll by.

The opening of the season saw five clubs contenders for the championship and it was a hard fought race. As each successive game was played, the attendance became larger. Great rivalry existed between the various teams, and as the play warmed up and the cup contenders began to show their ability, hundreds of fans would make their trip to the grounds and cheer their favorite team on to victory.

The MacNaughton Rangers have an excellent record in the League, having won the championship in 1908, 1909, 1910 (fall), 1911, 1912 (fall), 1913, 1914. Thomas Gray is the only playing member of the team at the present time that was connected with the club when it was first formed, though several officials are still keeping the Macs in shape.

Rochester City won the championship in the spring of 1910. Through the efforts of Dr. M. C. Rutherford, president; Mr. E. Spencer, manager, and Mr. George Adams, trainer, they have brought the Rochester City Club to the point where they are ranked as one of the greatest contenders for the cup in the 1915 series.

Celtic F. C. entered the league in the fall of 1912 and they have made the winners hustle for the honors. They have shown wonderful improvement in their playing ability and are looked forward to as the coming "champs."

Rochester Wanderers (then the Independents) procured the cup in the spring of 1912, and it has been an uphill fight ever since. The untiring efforts of the officers of the club give assurance that the Wanderers will be at the top at the close of the coming series.

Eagles are the "infants" of the league. Many players of this club are American born, which proves that the game has taken a firm hold in Rochester. Great praise is due "Dick" Heaphy for having kept the club together when it was almost under, and it is needless to say that the Eagles have many well wishers.

Rochester can boast of having gentlemen who are always striving to improve the game, amongst whom can be mentioned Mr. James McKinley, Mr. J. Reardon, Dr. M. C. Rutherford, Mr. A. Dunbar and Mr. A. Webster. Great praise is also due to the newspapers, which are ever ready to help boost the game in their sporting columns.

Eight clubs will probably comprise the roster of the league for 1915 and it is confidently expected that the year will be a banner one.

SATURDAY AMATEUR SOCCER LEAGUE OF NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN.

Officers—President, Jas. G. Barclay; vice-president, Harry Ellis; treasurer, Geo. L. Smith; secretary, C. Ostrander, 149 East Twenty-second street, New York city.

The Saturday Amateur Soccer League entered upon its first season in October, 1914, with seven clubs in the league; Belgians F. C., Brooklyn F. C., Centrals, Fulton A. C., Overseas Wanderers F. C., Rikerdymon A. C. and Strollers. During the season two clubs were forced to withdraw, the Brooklyns because of lack of support from the parent club, and the Rikerdymons who were recruited from the ranks of the Riker-Hegeman Co. and were affected by that company's ordering all its employes to work Saturday afternoons.

In spite of these withdrawals the league competition was carried through most successfully. At the completion of the schedule the Centrals and Overseas were tied for first place and a test game was played to decide the championship. This test game, which was played at Lenox Oval, was only decided after half an hour's extra time, when the Overseas succeeded in scoring the winning goal, and the match ended 2 goals to 1 in favor of the Overseas, who thus won the trophy and the medals.

Although many soccer officials felt that the time was not yet ripe for such

a league and that it would prove a failure, it turned out to be a big success, thanks to the able leadership of Mr. J. G. Barclay. With Mr. Barclay again at the helm the prospects are very bright for the 1915-16 season, and it is expected that the league will increase in size and strength.

Great credit is due Mr. Ostrander, who not only organized the above league, but acted as its secretary. That his efforts were appreciated was shown at the annual meeting, when he was unanimously re-elected.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Overseas	11	7	1	3	17	Belgians	10	3	5	2	8
Centrals	11	7	3	1	15	Strollers	10	3	7	—	6
Fultons	10	6	3	1	13						

Rikerdymons and Brooklyns withdrew before completing half the schedule.

METROPOLITAN AND DISTRICT AMATEUR LEAGUE, NEW YORK CITY.

The 1914-15 season of the Metropolitan and District Amateur League of New York City was one of the most successful in the history of that organization. Twelve clubs constituted this league, and the schedule was completed without a break. The final standing was as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Hudson United F. C.	22	19	2	1	39	St. George F. C.	22	6	13	3	15
Subway F. C.	22	18	3	1	37	German F. C.	22	7	14	1	15
Chelsea F. C.	22	10	11	1	21	L. R. T. Strollers F. C.	22	5	13	4	14
Yonkers Thistle F. C.	22	9	12	1	19	White Rose F. C.	22	6	15	1	13
W. Side Rangers F. C.	22	9	10	1	19	Mt. Vernon F. C.	22	1	17	4	6
Visitation P. C. F. C.	22	7	10	5	19	Clan McDuff F. C.	22	1	21	0	2

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN THE PARK PLAYGROUNDS OF NEW YORK CITY.

BY WILLIAM J. LEE,

Supervisor of Recreation, Department of Parks, Borough of Manhattan and Richmond; Secretary-Treasurer Interpark Playgrounds Athletic Association.

INTERPARK PLAYGROUNDS SOCCER FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

The popularity of soccer football in the park playgrounds and public fields of New York is increasing in rapid strides. There are six full months of soccer football throughout the year, from October to April.

There are fifty fields on which soccer football can be played in the Greater City. Of course, they are not all regulation size, some are of the playground type and others of regulation order.

No institution is sowing the seed of soccer football stronger in the minds of young America than the Bureau of Recreation, Manhattan, where fourteen fields are kept in constant use by the boys of the playgrounds and the young men of the clubs throughout the city. No game in America is faster gaining the popularity and standard of base ball than soccer football. The same kind of spectators assemble to the soccer fields as to the base ball fields.

The science of the game is attracting the attention of physical directors and educators along recreation lines to almost as great an extent as base ball. The only drawback in soccer football is that it is a little too strenuous for the younger boy. We do not encourage competition between boys younger than fifteen years of age, but for young men it has proven expressly beneficial, as it promotes a very snappy, vigorous development. One of the finest sights to imagine is a field of soccer players on a winter's day with snow on the ground, competing for supremacy. There is none of the mollycoddle type about the

soccer players. The spirit of organization, loyalty and fairness is plain to be seen when the science of the game is acquired.

Three hundred teams were organized in the playgrounds during 1914 to compete in the tournament, which was the most successful yet conducted by the Bureau of Recreation. The referees and officials were selected from among the interested neighbors, directors of the playgrounds and clubs interested in soccer football. Any game that hopes to live in popularity must be developed in the playgrounds, which are the nurseries of all sport. The final games were held at Jasper Oval before five thousand spectators.

The members of the winning teams received medals donated by A. G. Spalding & Bros. and the results of the tournament were as follows:

SOUTHERN SECTION.

W. L. D. F. A.Pts.					W. L. D. F. A.Pts.								
Cherry and Market...	8	..	..	25	5	16	Hamilton Fish.....	2	6	..	5	17	4
Seward	4	4	..	20	13	8	Corlears Hook.....	2	6	..	5	21	4
Columbus	4	4	..	15	14	8							

EASTERN SECTION.

W. L. D. F. A.Pts.					W. L. D. F. A.Pts.								
Tompkins Square....	8	1	..	21	10	16	Queensboro	2	5	1	4	11	5
St. Gabriel's.....	7	2	..	23	6	14	John Jay.....	0	6	2	4	22	2
Thos. Jefferson.....	2	5	1	2	5	5							

WESTERN SECTION.

W. L. D. F. A.Pts.					W. L. D. F. A.Pts.								
Chelsea	5	..	1	11	..	11	De Witt Clinton.....	1	5	..	5	17	2
Jasper Oval.....	4	1	1	13	7	9	West 59th Street....	1	5	..	5	10	2

FINAL.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Cherry and Market.....	2	2	..	..	3	..	4
Tompkins Square.....	2	1	1	..	1	2	2
Chelsea	2	..	2	..	..	2	..

GENERAL ELECTRIC FOOTBALL CLUB, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

The General Electric Football Club of Schenectady, N. Y., is one of the fastest elevens in the State, having defeated such teams as the Sons of St. George F. C. of New York City and Farr Alpaca F. C. of Holyoke, Mass., in the A. F. A. Cup ties, and finishing second in the Central New York State Soccer Football League.

This club is controlled by the General Electric Athletic Association of Schenectady, N. Y., which is one of the industrial institutions in this country that is fostering and promoting athletics in general. Their athletic plant in the outskirts of Schenectady is one of the best equipped and finest in the State. Baseball, soccer, cricket, tennis and track athletics are encouraged, and as President Eaton of the Athletic Association is becoming very enthusiastic in the development of soccer, it would not be surprising in the least to see the General Electric F. C. lift the National Challenge Cup during the coming season's competition.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Organized August 14, 1906. Affiliated with the U. S. F. A.

By JOHN LONE, KEARNY, N. J.

Officers.—President, Sid Christopher, Orange, N. J.; vice-president, Alfred Tyrill, Brooklyn, N. Y.; secretary-treasurer, John Lone.

The 1914-15 season of the National Association Football League was the most successful from a financial and playing point of view that that famous organization has experienced in its long career. After a most strenuous

and keenly fought race, the West Hudson F. C. defeated the Jersey A. C. F. C. by one point for the league championship.

The following clubs have entered for the coming season: West Hudson F. C. of Harrison, N. J.; Jersey A. C. F. C. of Jersey City, N. J.; Scottish-American F. C. of Newark, N. J.; Alley Boys F. C. of Kearny, N. J.; Bahcock & Wilcox F. C. of Bayonne, N. J.; Clan MacDonald F. C. of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Brooklyn F. C. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The outlook for the 1915-16 campaign is most promising, and all indications point to an even more interesting competition than that enjoyed by followers of soccer last year. The 1915-1916 season opens on the last Sunday in September, 1915, and closes on the last Sunday in April, 1916.

The final standing of the clubs for the season 1914-15 was as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
West Hudson F.C.....	16	14	2	0	23	Brooklyn F. C.	14	5	6	3	13
Jersey A.C.F.O.....	16	13	2	1	27	Paterson Rangers F.O..	14	4	6	4	12
Scottish-American F.C.	16	8	3	5	21	Newark F.C.	16	2	13	1	5
Bronx United F.O.....	14	7	7	0	14	True Blues F.C.....	16	0	14	2	2
Clan MacDonald F.C...	14	5	5	4	14						

WEST HUDSON AMATEUR LEAGUE.

Organized August 5, 1914.

By JOHN LONE, KEARNY, N. J.

Officers.—President, John Lone, Kearny, N. J.; vice-president, Harry Spence, Jersey City, N. J.; financial secretary, H. McCreedy, Kearny, N. J.; secretary-treasurer, C. Ludlum, Harrison, N. J. Headquarters, Hyland Hall, Kearny, N. J.

The competition in the above league was most interesting from the starting of the season until the last game was played, four of the eight clubs running neck and neck throughout the entire race, the Kearny Athletics eventually winning by one point from the Valley Boys' F. C., who only succeeded in winning second place by one point from the Ford A. C. F. C. It is doubtful if a more evenly balanced league could be formed than the West Hudson Amateur League of last year, and as all the clubs have signified their intention of remaining for 1915-16 it can be readily seen that a great and interesting competition is in store for the soccer fans of Hudson County and vicinity. The final standing of the clubs for 1914-15 season was as follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
Kearny Athletics F. C.....	14	10	3	1	21
Valley Boys' F. C.....	14	9	3	2	20
Ford A. C. F. O.....	14	8	3	3	19
Kearny F. C.....	14	7	3	4	18
West Hudsons Junior F. O.....	14	6	6	2	14
Irish-American F. O.....	14	4	8	2	10
Torrance F. O.....	14	4	9	1	9
Arlington F. O.....	14	1	12	1	3

The Kearny Athletics also won the New Jersey State Cup Competition.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN THE ENGLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

By J. HAROLD BEEKMAN.

As a major sport in the Public Schools Athletic League of Englewood, N. J., the fine game of soccer football seems not to have even been mentioned until the fall of the year 1914. It was at this time that the year-round director of athletics of the grammar schools came into office, laying stress on soccer football as a fall and winter sport for the boys, in his presentation of plans for the year to the superintendent of schools and the Board of

Education. These men appreciated the value of the game and gave hearty support. Three weeks after school opened soccer practice was going on at each of the five schools. When the rudiments of the game were learned two teams were chosen from each of four schools, one team from fourth and fifth grades and one from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. The fifth school had a team from its fourth, fifth and sixth grades, not having seventh and eighth grades. By the middle of October all the teams were involved in an inter-school tournament of keen interest, and many boys both on and off the teams spent much of their recreation time enjoying soccer practice. In the enthusiasm for this game the strong desire for Rugby football passed out, and there were no boys reported injured playing the game in the whole school system during the season. It is certainly an excellent game for boys, ranking with base ball and basket ball in the curriculum, and its future success and popularity is guaranteed.

WEST HUDSON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, HARRISON, N. J.

Incorporated 1906. A. F. A. champions 1906, 1908, 1912; National League champions 1907, 1910, 1912, 1913, 1915.

BY TOM ADAM, KEARNY, N. J.

Officers.—President, John Brown; treasurer, John D. Castles; manager, Thomas T. Adam, 34 Maple Street, Kearny, N. J. Headquarters, 501 John Street, East Newark, N. J. Grounds, Newark Federal League Base Ball Grounds, Harrison, N. J.

The West Hudson F. C. in winning the National Association Football League Championship for the season 1914-15 accomplished that feat for the fifth time. Under the management of Tom Adam, the team started the 1914-15 season in fine form and it was freely predicted that, barring accidents, they would likely land the three championships in which they were entered, namely, the National Challenge Cup competition, under the auspices of the U. S. F. A.; the A. F. A. Cup competition, and the National Association Football League. Unfortunately, shortly after the starting of the season, several of their star players were forced on the sick and injured list at a most critical time, thereby weakening the club considerably, which resulted in their being eliminated on February 21, 1915, from the third round of the National Challenge Cup competition by the Scottish-American F. C. On March 14, 1915, in the semi-final of the A. F. A. Cup competition, the Scottish-American F. C. put them out of the running. However, after a most strenuously fought race they succeeded in landing the National Association Football League championship, nosing out the Jersey A. C. of Jersey City, N. J., in the final games of the season. The following is a record of the club for the season:

U. S. F. A. National Challenge Cup Competition games—3, Hollywood Inn F. C. 0; 5, Falls C. & F. C. 0; 1, Scottish-American 3. Played 3, won 2, lost 1.

A. F. A. games—4, Paterson Rangers 0; 2, Babcock & Wilcox 2; 5, Babcock & Wilcox 0; 4, Disston F. C. 1; 1, Scottish-American 2. Played 5, won 3, lost 1, drawn 1.

National League games—3, Clan MacDonald 2; 2, Jersey A. C. 4; 5, True Blues 1; 3, Paterson Rangers F. C. 1; 5, Paterson Rangers F. C. 0; 6, Newark F. C. 0; 1, Clan MacDonald F. C. 0; 1, Scottish-American F. C. 2; 5, Bronx United F. C. 1; 9, Brooklyn F. C. 2; 2, Scottish-American F. C. 1; 3, Jersey A. C. 0; 6, Bronx United F. C. 0. Won by forfeit from True Blues, Brooklyn F. C. and Newark F. C. Played 16, won 14, lost 2.

Exhibition games—7, Brooklyn F. C. 1; 3, Clan MacDonald 0; 4, Brooklyn F. C. 3; 2, Fall River Rovers 1; 1, Clan MacDonald 1; 2, Clan MacDonald 1; 3, Bronx United 1. Played 7, won 6, drawn 1.

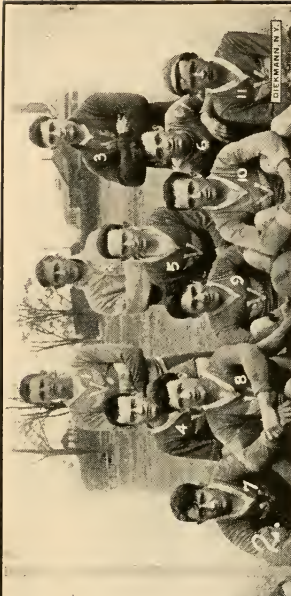
Total goals scored, 98 against opponents' 30; total games played, 31; won 25, lost 4, drawn 2.



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(1) TORRANCE FOOTBALL CLUB, NEWARK, N. J. - 1, Rush; 2, Craig; 3, Bowers; 4, Law; 5, Hewitson; 6, Turner; 7, White; 8, Oliver; 9, Watson; 10, Wylie; 11, Irwin; 12, McKeon. (2) VALLEY BOYS FOOTBALL CLUB, NEWARK, N. J. - 1, E. Kinsella; 2, W. Dreker; 3, C. Theims; 4, Salzman; 5, J. Dreker; 6, Lehnback; 7, F. Thiems; 8, J. Kinsella; 9, D. Thiems; 10, Franks; 11, Scanton. (3) MONTCLAIR A. C. FOOTBALL CLUB, MONTCLAIR, N. J. (4) ARLINGTON A. A. FOOTBALL CLUB, ARLINGTON, N. J. - 1, Stephenson; 2, Duggan; 3, McNabb; 4, Farfor; 5, McFarland; 6, Clark; 7, C. Lambertson; 8, Kemp; 9, B. Hudson; 10, Ransom; 11, J. Lambertson; 12, Flack; 13, Paterson; 14, Nixon; 15, W. Hudson; 16, Hawarth.



(1) LINCOLN FIRST TEAM—1, Guissanni; 2, Wachmund; 3, Bristow; 4, Bolton; 5, Pegeese; 6, Jackson; 7, Rogers; 8, Campbell; 9, Capra; 10, Webson; 11, MacFadden; 12, Dunn; 13, Johnson; 14, Moskin; 15, Coleman; 16, Goldstein; 17, Williams; 18, LINCOLN FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE TEAM—1, Tremper; 2, McLeod; 3, Villa; 4, Druskin; 5, Delprete; 6, Kravitz; 7, Vedus; 8, Williams; 9, Outville; 10, Guissanni; 11, Brovero, Capt.; 12, Short; 13, Lyons; 14, Gedney. (3) LIBERTY FIRST TEAM—1, Sullivan; 2, F. Hill; 3, Doremus; 4, Hill; 5, Earley; 6, Smullen; 7, Lyons; 8, Canonico; 9, Montgomery; 10, McQuillan; 11, Sullivan; 12, Levinsohn. (4) LIBERTY SCHOOL FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE TEAM—1, Canonico; 2, Serrano; 3, Marshall; 4, Ipolito; 5, Baker; 6, Horowitz; 7, Duhamel; 8, Klatt; 9, Sanford; 10, Brock; 11, Levensohn. (5) CLEVELAND FIRST TEAM—1, Paret; 2, Stage; 3, O'Brien; 4, Gude; 5, Biegan; 6, Brock; 7, Ford; 8, Betts; 9, Caldwell; 10, Lawrence; 11, Conklin; 12, Sullivan; 13, Price; 14, Brock. (6) CLEVELAND SCHOOL FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE TEAM—1, Price; 2, Graising; 3, Sweeney; 4, Maxwell; 5, Burtles; 6, Luciana; 7, Sanlumbier; 8, Hutchinson; 9, Dotsen; 10, Hart; 11, Wescott; 12, Schoenhaus; 13, Sweeney; Capt.; 14, Gude; 15, Arwe. (7) FRANKLIN FIRST TEAM—1, Stickey; 2, Gowa; 3, Holmgren; 4, Hohlnen; 5, Garrett; 6, Stanford; 7, Bell; 8, Vorsanger; 9, Holmes; 10, Holden; 11, Fink. (8) FRANKLIN FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE TEAM—1, O'Blends; 2, Sanford; 3, Bohannon; 4, Dibble; 5, Schwab; 6, Baker; 7, Salembier; 8, Holmes; 9, Gorham; 10, Smallbein; 11, Satumbier; 12, Marvln.



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1. John McMenemy, Manchester, Conn., President Connecticut State Football Association; President Manchester United Football Club, season 1915-16. 2. E. S. Eversfield, Bridgeport, Conn., Treasurer Connecticut State Football Association. 3. Joe Booth, Bridgeport, Conn., Honorary Secretary Connecticut State Football Association—the soccer booster of the Nutmeg State. 4. George Good, Naugatuck, Conn., Vice-President Connecticut State Football Association; Vice-President Connecticut State Football League; Secretary Naugatuck Football Club. 5. Jason Wright, Ansonia, Conn., President Connecticut State Football Association, season 1914-15. 6. Thomas Wilson, Bridgeport, Conn., Delegate-at-Large Connecticut State Football Association.



1, J. E. Watton, President Connecticut Amateur League. 2, J. G. Cockrane, Treasurer Connecticut Amateur League. 3, R. Murray, Vice-President Connecticut Amateur League. 4, G. W. Chance, President Connecticut State Football League. 5, J. Miller, New Haven, Conn., President Connecticut State Referees' Association. 6, Alex Cave, Secretary Connecticut State Referees' Association. 7, Andrew R. Sillers, Secretary Presbyterian Football Club, Bridgeport, Conn.



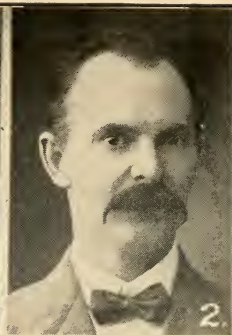
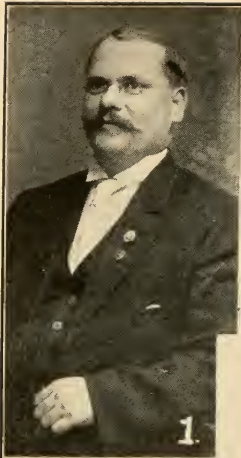
(1) ANSONIA (CONN.) TEAM—State Champions—1, Grant; 2, Collins; 3, Healy; 4, Drinkwater; 5, English; 6, J. Clark, Sec.; 7, H. Butterworth; 8, Finlay; 9, Bryce; 10, G. Denholm, Mgr.; 11, Waite; 12, Simpson; 13, Austin, Capt.; 14, Fisher; 15, A. Butterworth. (2) BRIDGEPORT (CONN.) ROVERS—1, R. Holden, Mgr.; 2, W. Martin; 3, Pohlmann; 4, C. Martin, Sec.; 5, Wass; 6, A. Holden; 7, Cooper, Treas.; 8, Mason; 9, Daniels; 10, Rhodes; 11, J. Stead; 12, Hutton; 13, Herson; 14, W. Holden, Capt.; 15, W. Stead. (3) LINCOLN SCHOOL TEAM, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—Winners Bridgeport Schoolboys' League—1, Nichols, Capt.; 2, Kelly; 3, Baker; 4, Rioux; 5, Gully, Mgr.; 6, Howard; 7, Felix; 8, Dollard; 9, Sherman; 10, Scheeder; 11, Deroucher; 12, O'Neil; 13, Ryan. (4) PLAINFIELD (CONN.) TEAM—Champions Eastern Connecticut League—1, J. McNulty, Chairman; 2, McCluggage, 3, Tetlow; 4, Oates; 5, Potts; 6, Walker, Capt.; 7, C. Alexander, Treas.; 8, J. Royle, Sec. and Mgr.; 9, Seddon; 10, Palisier; 11, J. Alexander; 12, McCusker; 13, A. Royle; 14, Underwood; 15, Greenhalgh; 16, Bissonette. (5) NAUGATUCK (CONN.) TEAM—1, Ashford; 2, H. Dethlefsen; 3, Price; 4, A. Dethlefsen; 5, Bryan; 6, J. Bott, Pres.; 7, Caulfield; 8, Bender; 9, Bailey; 10, Good, Sec. Treas.; 11, Boyles; 12, Garfield; 13, Dunn, Capt.; 14, Gothberg; 15, Williams. (6) NEW HAVEN (CONN.) TEAM—1, H. H. Smith, Sec.; 2, T. Montgomery, Pres.; 3, B. Montgomery, Trainer; 4, J. Montgomery; 5, McKay; 6, Jenkins, Capt.; 7, Martin, Treas.; 8, Jackson, Vice-Pres.; 9, G. Montgomery, Mgr.; 10, Valentine; 11, Fyles; 12, Cave; 13, Wakefield; 14, Cooper; 15, Forsyth; 16, Satterwaite; 17, Stephens; 18, Griffin; 19, Black.



GEORGE W. ORTON

University of Pennsylvania,

Secretary Committee on Association Foot Ball Rules of the National Collegiate
Athletic Association; Editor Spalding's Official College
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1, Oliver Hemingway, Philadelphia, Pa.; founder of the Allied American Football Association; member of U. S. F. A. Council. 2, Wm. Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.; member U. S. F. A. Council; Treasurer Allied American Football Association; Chairman Finance Committee U. S. F. A. 3, Douglas Stewart, Philadelphia, Pa.; President Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District. 4, Michael McLoughlin, Philadelphia, Pa. 5, Charles Lieb, Secretary Philadelphia League. 6, Neil A. Clarke, one of America's star half-backs; member of Bethlehem (Pa.) Football Team, Champions of the United States, 1914-15. 7, Arthur Watson, Treasurer Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District.

SCOTTISH-AMERICAN F. C. OF NEWARK, N. J.

(A. F. A. Cup Winners.)

RECORD FOR 1914-15.

Date 1914.	Team.	Competition.	Home or Away.	For.	Ag'st.
Sept. 13	Newark F.C.	Exhibition	Home	3	0
Sept. 20	Bronx United	Exhibition	Home	0	2
Sept. 27	Brooklyn Celtic	Exhibition	Home	3	3
Oct. 4	Jersey A. C.	National League	Home	2	2
Oct. 11	Paterson Rangers	National League	Away	1	1
Oct. 18	Brooklyn	National League	Home	1	3
Oct. 25	True Blues	A. F. A. Cup	Away	1	0
Nov. 1	Jersey A. C.	National League	Away	0	1
Nov. 8	Newark F. C.	National League	Home	5	1
Nov. 22	True Blues	U. S. F. A. Cup	Home	2	0
Nov. 26	Victors (Pa.)	Exhibition	Home	2	2
Nov. 29	Alley Boys	2d round A. F. A. Cup	Home	2	1
Dec. 13	Jersey A. C.	2d round U. S. F. A. Cup	Away	2	1
Dec. 20	Jersey A. C.	2d round U. S. F. A. replay	Away	1	0
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Jan. 3	Victors (Pa.)	3d round A. F. A. Cup	Home	3	1
Jan. 10	Brooklyn	National League	Away	7	1
Jan. 17	Phila. Hibs.	Exhibition	Home	1	4
Jan. 24	Newark F. C.	National League	Away	5	0
Feb. 7	West Hudsons	National League	Away	2	1
Feb. 14	Royal Oaks (Trenton)	Exhibition	Home	4	0
Feb. 21	West Hudson	3d round U. S. F. A. Cup	Away	3	1
Feb. 28	Clan MacDonald	National League	Home	0	0
Mar. 14	West Hudson	Semi-final A. F. A. Cup	Home	2	1
Mar. 20	Bethlehem F. C.	4th round U. S. F. A. Cup	Away	0	3
Mar. 28	Rangers (Paterson)	National League	Home	1	1
Apr. 11	Bronx United	National League	Away	6	1
Apr. 18	Brooklyn Celtic	Final A. F. A. Cup	Neutral	1	0
Apr. 25	West Hudsons	National League	Home	1	2
May 2	Clan MacDonald	Exh. (scratch team)	Home	1	4

Summary—Played 29, won 16, lost 7, tied 6, goals for 62, goals against 37.

Goal scorers—A. Stark 21, A. Whiston 13, E. Holt 10, R. Forfar 9, W. Fenwick 5, J. Hemmsley 3, J. Conlon 1.

THE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA.

BY E. WALDRON, VICE-PRESIDENT.

Officers—President, A. M. Addison; vice-president, E. Waldron; treasurer, W. E. Hinds; secretary, B. Grove, 549 Indiana avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

Examining Board—D. Stewart, chairman; E. Waldron, D. Gould, G. Young, James Walder.

The substantial progress of the Referees' Association of Philadelphia since its formation in the fall of 1903 by five well known referees, of whom three are still actively interested in the Association, is a matter of much pride to those interested in the development of the game of Association football in Philadelphia. The successful career of the organization is undoubtedly to a large extent due to the efficiency and work of the officers, particularly from and during the seasons of 1905 to 1913, as the records will show. The masterful control, not only of refereeing but of Association football generally, of the past president, D. Stewart, who was president for eight years, was the main help to the successful development of the Association. In the season of 1905 the membership was 15; in 1907, 22; in 1908, 28, and since that

time it has steadily increased, until now there is a total membership of 60, thereby making the Philadelphia Association the largest and strongest referees' association in America.

The following table of games refereed by members of the association is indicative of the work done and the progress of the game in Philadelphia: 1907-8, 156; 1908-9, 208; 1909-10, 222; 1910-11, 319; 1911-12, 363; 1912-13, 564; 1913-14, 532; 1914-15, 642.

The foregoing is indisputable proof of the work done by the association, not only in handling games but in spreading a knowledge of the game among the athletically inclined elements of Philadelphia, which was done by instructing officials and players of clubs and teams as to the rules of the game and their applicability to the playing of the game.

Another good feature of the quality of the referees in the Philadelphia Association is shown by the good work they have done and are doing along coaching lines in the cricket clubs, colleges, preparatory, public and grammar schools in and around Philadelphia and in developing players of high skill. A few years ago regular coaches were practically unknown among the colleges and schools; now the University of Pennsylvania has an amateur head coach in the person of Mr. Douglas Stewart, a gentleman with a broad mind and a thorough theoretical and practical knowledge of the game who has developed there a team of high caliber that went through two seasons without a defeat and lifted the Intercollegiate championship last season; also David L. Gould, the assistant coach at Pennsylvania, a retired referee and a very good player in his time; George Young, coach at Haverford College and Merion Cricket Club, one of our best known referees, having refereed the final of the American Cup this season; James Connell, another referee, is, and had been for three seasons, the coach at Philadelphia Cricket Club and also at Friends' Select School, doing wonderful work among the boys at both places; A. M. Addison is coach at the Moorestown Field Club; Philip Bishop, the physical director at Haverford School, another referee of known and high ability. Many others of the members do coaching from time to time and they, as well as those mentioned, have done and are doing good work in spreading a sound knowledge of the game.

Another notable feature is the number who occupy high executive positions in the football world, giving sound foundation to the statement that a referee by reason of his training in handling men on the field and in thinking and acting quickly and correctly enables him, provided he has the necessary intelligence, to handle the executive end of the game after his active refereeing days are over.

In conclusion I would say that this Association is in a good financial condition, having a nice balance of cash on hand at the end of last season, 1914-15.

ALLIED AMERICAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Organized 1910. Affiliated with the U. S. F. A.

By OLIVER HEMINGWAY, SECRETARY.

The season of 1914-15 was a banner season for the Allied American Football Association. The league season was started the first Saturday in October with three divisions and two clubs as affiliated members.

New clubs were organized and became members of the Allied nearly every week after the season opened. It then became necessary to start new divisions; therefore the Fourth Division and the Special Division were organized, and the Kensington Junior Church League, then composed of four clubs of Sunday school boys, was admitted to membership, and after procuring two other such clubs, the Church Division was formed.

The Association therefore brought to a successful finish a grand total of six divisions, in addition to two clubs with affiliated membership who did not join any division, a total membership of forty-three clubs, which is probably the largest individual association in the United States.

The contests for division honors were exceptionally close; in fact, at the close of the regular schedule, Edgemoor F. C. and Veteran A. A. were tied for the championship of the Third Division and it was necessary to play an extra game to determine which club should receive the gold medals and cups. The game was played on neutral ground at Marcus Hook and, strange to relate, although the Veterans had administered the only two defeats which Edgemoor had sustained during the regular schedule, the game ended in a win for Edgemoor by 2 goals to 1.

Several other close contests are noticeable; for instance, Wanderers only beat Viscose out of second place in the First Division by one point, and Princeton A. C. only won the Fourth Division by giving the Northwest Boys' Club their only defeat of the season.

The following is the official standing of the clubs at the end of the season:

FIRST DIVISION

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Putnam F. C.....	18	14	1	3	58	21	31
Wanderers F. C.....	18	13	3	2	50	22	28
Viscose F. C.....	18	11	2	5	36	16	27
Disston F. C.....	18	7	3	8	54	24	22
Victrix C. O.....	18	8	5	5	30	25	21
Kensington Cong. A. A.....	18	6	10	2	24	33	14
Boys' Club F. C.....	18	4	11	3	16	31	11
Smith A. A.....	18	4	11	3	19	42	11
Peabody F. C.....	18	4	13	1	28	50	9
Norristown F. C.....	18	3	15	0	14	65	6

SECOND DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
St. Nathaniel F. C.....	20	17	1	2	50	14	36
Puritan Y. M. L.....	20	12	5	3	43	28	27
Wilmington F. C.....	19	8	8	3	42	32	19
Rosemont Celtic F. C.....	19	7	7	5	29	34	19
Centenary F. C.....	19	6	13	0	36	50	12
Pyne Poynt S. C.....	19	1	17	1	9	51	3

THIRD DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Edgemoor F. C.....	15	12	2	1	35	14	25
Veteran A. A.....	15	11	3	1	32	20	23
Disston Reserves F. C.....	14	10	3	1	37	15	21
St. Nathaniel Res. F. C.....	14	6	5	3	23	19	15
Falls Y. M. A. F. C.....	14	6	6	2	28	19	14
Kensington Reserves F. C.....	14	3	9	2	21	30	8
West End A. A.....	14	2	12	0	15	40	4
Boys' Club 3rd.....	14	2	12	0	17	51	4

FOURTH DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Princeton A. C.....	8	7	0	1	17	4	15
Northwest Boys' Club.....	8	6	1	1	13	6	13
Boys' Club 4th.....	8	3	4	1	9	13	7
Poynt No Poynt F. C.....	8	1	6	1	2	10	3
Bridesburg Rovers F. C.....	8	0	6	2	6	14	2

Germantown Boys' Club failed to play their games.

SPECIAL DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Audubon A. A.....	5	5	0	0	36	0	10
Ascension F. C.....	5	4	1	0	29	5	8
North Philadelphia F. C.....	5	2	3	0	18	17	4
Puritan Reserves F. C.....	5	2	3	0	6	17	4
Victrix C. C. Reserves.....	5	1	4	0	8	20	2
Norristown F. C. Reserves.....	5	1	4	0	3	41	2

KENSINGTON JUNIOR CHURCH DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Puritan Friendly Bible Class.....	10	8	0	2	46	15	18
Beacon Light F. C.....	9	6	2	1	30	9	13
St. Ambrose F. C.....	9	6	2	1	23	11	13
St. Nathaniel Juniors.....	9	2	5	2	12	34	6
Providence Juniors	10	0	7	3	7	23	3
Kensington Cong. Juniors.....	9	1	7	1	5	31	3

On June 7 the presentation of the cups, medals and watch fobs took place before a crowded house at Roth's Hall. A first class concert was given in conjunction with the presentation. The prizes consisted of seven championship cups (including the Telegraph Cup, the trophy of the Allied Amateur Cup Competition), eighty-one gold medals, fifteen silver medals, twelve watch fobs, one diploma, and a small loving cup to the club having the best representation at the gathering. The latter trophy was won by the Wanderers, who, in addition to winning the Amateur Cup Competition, finished second in the First Division.

The picture of the trophies, as shown elsewhere, give a faint idea of what was done that memorable evening of June 7. On the upper portion is shown the 139 medals and 12 watch fobs, and the lower portion shows the cups in this order from left to right: Oliver Bros. Cup, emblematic of the championship of the Second Division, won by St. Nathaniel F. C.; next is the Telegraph Cup, for the championship of the Allied Amateur Cup Competition, won by Wanderers F. C.; the third is the Merion Cup, the trophy of the First Division, won by the Putnam F. C.; down in front is the little cup which the Wanderers won; in the center is the Jacob Bros. Cup, which was won by the Puritan Friendly Bible Class, champions of the Kensington Junior Church Division; the Kerr Cup was won by Audubon A. A., as champions of the Special Division; the President's Cup was won by the Princeton A. C., champions of the Fourth Division; last, but not least, is the Crowhurst Cup, which was won by the Edgemoor F. C., after having played an extra game in the Third Division to entitle them to it. The diploma shown near the center in front is the annual emblem given to the referee who qualifies for, and referees, in the final tie of the Allied Amateur Cup Competition. This season Mr. John E. Walder had the honor to receive the diploma. Previous winners have been such noted referees as Edward Waldron (1910), George Young (1911), Walter E. Hinds (1912), A. M. Addison (1913). No final was played in 1914.

A remarkable instance of "sticking together" was shown during the presentation of prizes. The Putnam F. C., winners of the First Division, had won the Second Division in 1913-14 and the Third Division in 1912-13, and nine members of the team had played through all three seasons, obtaining a gold medal each year. This is a record that will take some playing to beat.

THE ALLIED AMATEUR CUP COMPETITION.

This competition, which is run under the auspices of the Allied American Football Association, attracted twenty entries for the sixth season of the competition. Before giving the results of this season's games, we will take a look into the past and review the previous finals.

In 1910 Centennial F. C. defeated Cardington F. C. by 4 goals to 1. In 1911 Fairhill F. C. defeated Victor F. C. by 2 goals to 1. In 1912 Cardington F. C. defeated Bethlehem F. C. by 3 goals to 2. In 1913 West Philadelphia defeated the Irish-Americans F. C. of Wilmington by 5 goals to 1. In 1914 Bethlehem won by forfeit from West Philadelphia, and in 1915 Wanderers F. C. won from Puritan Y. M. L. F. C. by 2 goals to 1.

The following are the results of the various rounds in 1915:

First round—The following twelve clubs drew byes, thus eliminating any byes for the following rounds: St. Nathaniel F. C., Disston Boys' Club F. C., Putnam F. C., Disston Reserves F. C., Victrix C. C., Audubon A. A., Norristown F. C., Smith A. A., Edgemoor F. C., Falls C. & F. C., Kensington Congregational A. A. and Wanderers F. C. Four games were played and resulted as follows: Disston F. C. 5, Centenary

F. C. 0; Peabody F. C. 2, Puritan Y. M. L. 4; Viscose F. C. 3, Veteran A. A. 3; replay, Viscose 1, Veteran 0; extra time, Rosemont Celtic F. C. 9, Falls Y. M. A. 1.

Second round—St. Nathaniel 3, Disston Boys' Club 2; Putnam 3, Disston F. C. 0; Disston Reserves 2, Victrix 0; Audubon 0, Puritan Y. M. L. 1; Norristown 3, Smith 2; Edgemoor 2, Fall C. & F. C. 6; Viscose 2, Kensington 1 (extra time); Wanderers 5, Rosemont Celtic 2.

Third round—St. Nathaniel 1, Putnam 6; Disston Reserves 0, Puritan Y. M. L. 2; Norristown 0, Falls C. & F. C. 2; Viscose 0, Wanderers 3.

All the above games were played on the grounds of the first named club.

The two semi-finals and the final were played at Washington Park, Philadelphia.

Semi-final round—Puritan Y. M. L. created a surprise by defeating Putnam 1 to 0. Wanderers defeated Falls C. & F. C. rather easily by 3 goals to none.

Final round—Wanderers 2, Puritan Y. M. L. 1 goal.

Immediately after the final the cup was informally presented to Captain Samuel Banks by Mrs. John B. Farrell, wife of the president of the Association. Mr. Banks left the country a few days later to join the colors of his native land.

AMERICAN LEAGUE OF ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUBS OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Affiliated with Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District.

BY LEVI WILCOX, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The American League of Association Football Clubs had one of the best, if not the best, seasons in its history during 1914-15, and there is no denying the fact but that the league did a great deal of good in boosting the sport in Philadelphia and its vicinity through the splendid exhibitions that the various teams gave. What proved the crowning feature, from an American League standpoint, was the splendid victory of Bethlehem, which not only won the championship of the league but also captured the National Cup, emblematic of the champion team in the country for last season.

There was one of the closest races in the history of the league last season, and Bethlehem, with its team of all-star players, did not have an easy win without being taxed to the limit, as just one point separated Bethlehem from the Victors, who came in second place, while the Hibernians, who finished in third position, were only three points behind the leaders. One of the most unique facts in the league race was the manner in which the Victors, Hibernians and Disstons held Bethlehem at the beginning of the season, for out of the first three games played by Bethlehem against the above-mentioned clubs they failed to get away with the full complement of points.

When considering that the Victors, who came mighty near to landing the championship, was composed mainly of American-born players, all the more credit is due them, for it proved conclusively that the game is progressing among the homebreds at a tremendous clip when they can hold such a star cast as represented Bethlehem last year. Bethlehem included practically the cream of soccer players in Philadelphia, who migrated to Bethlehem at the beginning of last year.

Without in the least detracting from the playing strength of Bethlehem, Victors would with a little more experience have tied the leaders, for in the last game between the pair in the league series, Victors had their opponents on the run when one of their players came under the ban of the referee and was given marching orders, which greatly weakened the team. There is no discounting the fact that Bethlehem was a strong proposition for any team to tackle, and while they had one or two mighty close calls, none of their players for one minute lost his head, all playing the game in a spirit that brought them a large circle of admirers, no matter on what grounds they were showing.

Another team that relied mostly on home talent was the Hibernians, the oldest team in the league, which has done more for soccer in this section than any other since the palmy days of the Thistles. The Hibernians not only had the lightest and speediest forward line in the league but they also had the youngest, as their whole quintet did not average over the twenty-year-old mark. Towards the latter end of the season the Irishmen showed a vast improvement, and if the league had had many more weeks to run it is more than likely that they would have pushed the Victors much closer for second berth.

Disstons and West Philadelphia, along with the Victor Talking Machine eleven, showed great progress in their playing strength at the finish, while the Rangers F. C. and Falls, even though they did not finish way up the list, had fairly strong teams, and none of the leaders could take them too easily in the league series. All of the players were triers from the opening whistle to the final and in consequence the games were always interesting.

One of the main features ament the successful season of the American League was the fact that only one player, "Scotty" Wilson of the Victors, was ordered off the field during the whole playing season in any kind of games, which speaks well for the manner in which the league was conducted from an official standpoint, and also the capable refereeing that was witnessed in the league matches. If the writer is not mistaken, this instance of one player only coming under the ban is a record as far as Philadelphia is concerned.

To cap the climax, the American League held its first banquet, which proved beyond a doubt one of the best banquets ever held by any soccer organization in this city. At this banquet Bethlehem received the cup and medals, each of which were valued at \$10, while Victors, the runners up, received silver medals. The president of the league, Peter M. MacLaren, Secretary Ernest M. Jones and Thomas Ferns, the treasurer, all received tokens from the magnates in recognition of the splendid services donated the league in 1914-15.

Since the league was organized in 1912 the following clubs have won the championship: Boys' Club, 1912-13; Philadelphia Electrics, 1913-14, and Bethlehem, 1914-15. Every season the pennant chase has generally depended upon the last two or three games to decide the winner, which is another instance of the success of the American League, due to its clubs being evenly balanced. The official standing was as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Bethlehem	14	11	0	3	64	11	25
Victor A. C.	14	11	1	2	42	13	24
Hibernians	14	10	3	2	41	20	22
Disston A. A.	14	8	4	2	62	10	18
West Philadelphia	14	4	9	1	27	34	9
Falls F. C.	14	4	10	0	18	56	8
Rangers	14	1	13	0	10	77	2
*Victor T. M. C.	14	2	11	1	12	55	1

*Victor Talking Machine team fined 4 points.

PHILADELPHIA LEAGUE.

Affiliated with Football Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and District.

BY CHARLES LIEB, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Officers.—President, A. Watson; vice-president, L. Wilcox; treasurer, E. M. Jones; secretary, Charles Lieb.

The 1914-15 season of the Philadelphia League was a success from all angles. The race for the championship was keenly contested from start to finish, while all the games were witnessed by large crowds. The Disston Boys' Club won the championship by one point, while Textile F. C. and

Keystone A. C. were tied for second place, with 25 points each. The final standing of the clubs was as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Disston B. C.....	16	10	4	2	50	32	*26
Textile F. C.....	16	11	2	3	21	12	25
Keystone A. C.....	16	12	1	3	34	10	*25
West End A. C.....	16	11	5	0	44	22	*20
Wissinoming F. C.....	16	9	6	1	27	26	*17
Christ Church A. A.....	16	4	10	2	23	34	*12
Central F. C.....	16	4	12	0	18	51	8
Victoria A. C.....	13	2	11	0	8	28	4
Hanson F. C.....	13	1	11	1	12	22	3

*Keystone, Wissinoming and West End each were fined 2 points for playing an ineligible player, of which Christ Church received 2 points and Disston Boys' Club 4 points.

STANDING OF THE FRANKLINVILLE LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Erie A. C.....	19	11	3	5	54	29	*29
Christ Church Juniors.....	19	10	4	5	49	21	*27
Melrose F. C.....	18	9	3	6	46	40	*18
North End B. C.....	18	0	15	3	9	68	3

*Melrose F. C. lost 6 points for playing an ineligible player of which Erie and Christ Church each received 2 points.

FELTONVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

BY JOSEPH PHILLIPS.

Officers.—President, Elwood Shuman; vice-president, Wm. Wainman; treasurer, J. M. Sauerland; secretary, Jos. Phillips.

The Feltonville Athletic Club, formerly the P. H. L. of Philadelphia, Pa., entered the United League when it was organized in 1912. It finished that year in third place. In the season of 1913-14 it finished in second position, and in 1914-15 won the championship of the league. In the final and deciding game of the season, with Cardington F. C. there was the largest crowd ever seen on an open soccer field in Philadelphia to witness this game. There were approximately two thousand spectators. The Feltonville team is considered the smallest and lightest team in the United League, and all but three of its players are American born. The team has had only one defeat on its home grounds in three years, and last season it had only one defeat, two drawn games and fifteen victories out of eighteen league games played.

THE PITTSBURGH PRESS SOCCER FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Member of the Western Pennsylvania Football Association.

BY WILLIAM S. HADDOCK,

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

A two-division league was conducted by the Pittsburgh Press during the season of 1914 and it was an unqualified success. Ralph S. Davis, sporting editor of *The Press*, was president for the fifth successive season, and Wm. S. Haddock, secretary and treasurer. The Castle Shannon team was the winner of the pennant in the Central Division, while Gallatin won the honors in the Monongahela Valley Division.

A series of three games was then arranged to be played between the two pennant winners for the beautiful silver trophy and gold medals offered annually by the Pittsburgh Press.

Gallatin became the possessor of the trophies, as it defeated Castle Shannon in two straight games. The past season was without doubt the best soccer football ever had in this section of the country. There were more

teams entered in the Western Pennsylvania Cup Tie Competition than ever before, besides more in the National Challenge Cup Competition, under the auspices of the U. S. F. A. Donora of the Monongahela Division of the *Press* League won the Western Pennsylvania Cup Tie Competition, and was presented with the Spalding Trophy and medals at a special banquet tendered by the Pittsburgh *Press* to its champion teams. The *Press* League wound up its most successful season in the stirring victory of its All-Star team over the All-Stars of the District League by 1 to 0. The lineup:

Press League	Position.	District League.
Boyle	Guard.....	Brown
Anderson	Right Back.....	George
Blackwood	Left Back.....	Howe
Rossini	Right Half.....	Morrison
King	Center Half.....	Barton
Whyte	Left Half.....	Lumsden
Ruecroft	Outside Right.....	Magill
Malarkey	Inside Right.....	Young
Hickey	Center.....	McHenry
Brannigan	Inside Left.....	Lowther
McCann	Outside Left.....	Callahan

Referee—W. Davidson.

The final standing of the teams in *The Press* leagues were as follows:

CENTRAL DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Castle Shannon	10	7	2	1	27	12	15
Morgan	10	5	4	1	11	13	11
Bridgeville	10	5	4	1	15	13	11
Beadling	10	4	3	3	14	20	11
Curry	10	4	6	0	22	16	8
Cecil	10	2	7	1	11	24	5

MONONGAHELA DIVISION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Gallatin	10	7	1	2	18	11	16
Roscoe	10	6	1	3	21	7	15
Dunlevy	10	5	2	3	14	7	13
Donora	10	5	3	2	16	17	12
Manown	10	1	9	0	5	17	2
New Eagle	10	1	9	0	6	21	2

PITTSBURGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

BY DAVID C. ADAMSON,
Hon. Secretary.

The following officers have been elected for 1915-16:

Officers.—President, I. A. Hopkins; vice-president, Alex. McInnes; secretary-treasurer, D. C. Adamson, 837 Tobin street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

After the longest, closest and most interesting race for honors in the history of the league, the competition finished abruptly and unsatisfactorily. This was caused by the Sturgeon Club refusing to meet Homestead Steel Works in the deciding game necessary because of the teams each having 23 points at the conclusion of the regular schedule.

The executive committee awarded the cup and medals to the Homestead Club, which team later kept Pittsburgh represented in the U. S. F. A. National Challenge Cup Ties until the semi-final round was reached, falling

then by 4 goals to 1 to Bethlehem Steel Works F. C., the eventual winner of the national competition.

Homestead, Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania fans in general are proud of the showing made by the District League champions, and it is likely there will be a larger entry from Western Pennsylvania in the National Cup Ties of 1915-16 by reason of Homestead's success last season.

Yet Homestead had by no means an easy task in the winning of the District League cup, as Sturgeon and Pittsburgh Rovers completed a trio of serious contenders for the trophy, the destination of which could not be foretold until the last regular game was over, this finding Sturgeon and Homestead tied, with Pittsburgh Rovers one point behind. The final standing:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Homestead Steel Works.....	14	11	2	1	42	10	23
Sturgeon	14	12	1	1	56	7	*23
Pittsburgh Rovers	14	11	3	0	36	17	22
Wilmerding Air Brake.....	14	6	6	2	26	27	14
Swissvale	14	4	9	1	22	42	*7
Beadling Rovers	14	3	10	1	13	39	7
Wilksburg	14	2	10	2	16	38	6
Carrick	14	2	10	2	13	44	6

* Two points deducted for playing ineligible players.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

BY DAVID C. ADAMSON,

Hon. Secretary, Season 1914-15.

Officers—President, R. Stanley Burtleigh, Pittsburgh Public Schools; first vice-president, Joseph Lever, District League; second vice-president, Ivor A. Hopkins, District League; treasurer, William S. Haddock, Pittsburgh Press League; Jas. Spence, West Penn Referees' Association; T. R. Davidson, Johnstown Tribune League; secretary, David C. Adamson, 837 Tobin street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Continued substantial progress is reported from Pittsburgh and surrounding districts under the government of the Western Pennsylvania Football Association. Twenty-five teams entered the championship competition of 1914-15, and after many exciting games had been played in the preceding rounds, Donora Steel Works and Sturgeon met in the final on Christmas Day, the former team winning in decisive manner by 5 goals to 1, after Sturgeon had started warm favorites.

The champions just managed to pull through some of their first games, but improved as the competition neared a close, tying twice in the semi-final, with Homestead Steel Works—one of the national semi-finalists—later being awarded the second game through Homestead refusing to play extra time, and their display against Sturgeon completely outclassed the District League runners-up. Following are the results of the competition by rounds:

First round—Donora S. W. 2, Dunlevy 0; Homestead S. W. 6, Carrick 0; Pittsburgh Rovers 3, Swissvale 1; Castle Shannon 3, Beadling 0; Gallatin 1, Manown 0; F. & S. Rangers 8, Clarksburg U. 1; Youngstown (O.) Thistle 3, Struthers 0; *Wilmerding Air Brake 3, Wilksburg 3. Byes: Sturgeon, Vandergrift, Juniata Burns, Morgan, New Eagle, Johnstown, and Youngstown, O. Bridgeville scratched to Curry.

* Wilksburg disqualified for using ineligible players.

Second round—Donora S. W. 3, New Eagle 2; Sturgeon 8, F. & S. Rangers 1; Homestead S. W. 5, Gallatin 0; Pittsburgh Rovers 1, Wilmerding 0; Youngstown Thistle 3, Johnstown 1; Castle Shannon 10, Vandergrift 0; Morgan 2, Curry 0; Juniata Burns 4, Johnstown 2.

Third round—Donora S. W. 1, Youngstown Thistle 0; Homestead S. W. 6; Juniata

Burns 2; Sturgeon 5, Castle Shannon 2; *Morgan 2, Pittsburgh Rovers 0; †Pittsburgh Rovers 2, Morgan 2; †Pittsburgh Rovers 1, Morgan 0.

* Protested. † Replay.

Semi-final round—Sturgeon 5, Pittsburgh Rovers 0; Donora S. W. 3, Homestead S. W. 3; *Donora S. W. 2, Homestead S. W. 2.

* Replay, Homestead being disqualified for refusing to play extra time.

Final round (played on Christmas Day, 1914, at Exposition Park, Pittsburgh)—Donora Steel Works 5, Sturgeon 1.

The annual game between teams of the Pittsburgh District and Pittsburgh Press Leagues on New Year's Day, 1915, ended in favor of the Press League by 1 goal to 0, Ruecroft scoring with a fast shot.

It was a very lucky victory, only a marvelous display of goalkeeping by Boyle preventing the District Leaguers from scoring a dozen goals, the Press representatives, as a team, being completely outclassed. The line-up:

Press League.	Position.	District League.
Boyle, Curry.....	Goal.....	Brown, Homestead
Anderson, Curry.....	Right Back.....	George, Pittsburgh Rovers
Blackwood, Donora.....	Left Back.....	Howe, Homestead
Rossini, Dunlevy.....	Right Half.....	Morrison, Homestead
King, Donora.....	Center Half.....	Barton, Sturgeon
Whyte, Donora.....	Left Half.....	Lumsden, Homestead
Ruecroft, Dunlevy.....	Outside Right.....	Magill, Pittsburgh Rovers
Malarkey, Gallatin.....	Inside Right.....	Young, Homestead
Hickey, Castle Shannon.....	Center.....	McHenry, Sturgeon
Brannigan, Bridgeville.....	Inside Left.....	Lowther, Homestead
McCann, Donora.....	Outside Left.....	Callahan, Sturgeon

Mainly owing to the work of President R. Stanley Burleigh of the West Pennsylvania Football Association, soccer will be recognized as a major sport in the Pittsburgh public schools next season. President Burleigh, who is a district supervisor of athletics in the schools, organized two schoolboy leagues last season, both of which were highly successful.

By the end of 1915-16, soccer will be firmly established in the thoughts of many thousands who have not yet seen it played, and Pittsburgh will, in the future, have no difficulty in being recognized as one of the really great soccer centers of America.

REFEREES' ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

Officers.—President, William Davidson, 7427 Carrie street, Swissvale, Pa.; vice-president, William A. Beaton; secretary-treasurer, L. Herrington, 1108 Barbara street, Duquesne, Pa.

PITTSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOL BOYS' ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

BY R. STANLEY BURLEIGH, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS.

Soccer in the public schools in Pittsburgh is assured. Last season I had the Central High. We had eight teams of freshmen and sophomores, which ran a schedule all season, and a 'varsity team which played a series of games with Allegheny High and Fifth Avenue High, all high schools of Pittsburgh. I also had a league of seventh and eighth grades from Franklin, Letsche, Madison, Miller, Minersville, Moorhead, Rose and Somers public schools. This coming season there will be several leagues in the grade schools and class leagues in the high schools; also an inter-high school league 'varsity. Soccer is meeting the needs of the problems of what games to interest the student body as a whole.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE.

BY J. H. CARPENTER, BETHLEHEM, PA.

The above league was organized in 1914, the object being to develop and foster amateur soccer football in the Lehigh Valley. The first meeting was held on August 4, 1914, at the parish house of the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, Pa. At the following meeting officers were elected as follows: President, Major A. B. DeSaulles; vice-president, H. E. Lewis; secretary, J. H. Carpenter; treasurer, T. W. Edmundson. Six clubs comprised the original membership, namely, Bethlehem Reserves, Nativity Men's Club, Easton F. C., Allentown Y. M. C. A., East Bangor F. C. and Standard A.A. of Phillipsburg, N. J. Afterwards there became as associate members of the league such clubs as Lehigh University, Lafayette College, Lehigh F. C., Pen Argyl and Hellertown. The league was such a success the officials decided to organize an Amateur Cup competition. A cup was given by Mr. Warren A. Wilber of South Bethlehem to be called the Wilber Cup. This was most successful and ten clubs entered the contest, the two finalists being Bethlehem Reserve and Allentown Y. M. C. A. The first game was played at East End Field, Bethlehem, and after a hard contest the score remained 0-0. The game was replayed two weeks later on the Muhlenberg College grounds at Allentown, and resulted in a win for the Allentown Y. M. C. A., 2-0. Thus Allentown became the first winners of the Wilber Cup, in addition to which the league also presented the winners with gold medals. The Blue Mountain League championship was most successful also, and after a close run Bethlehem Reserve won the league, with the Nativity Men's Club runners-up. A most beautiful trophy was presented by H. E. Lewis for the league champions and gold medals by the league.

	Games.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	For.	Against.	Points.
Bethlehem Res.	9	7	2	0	18	2	16
Nativity M. O.	9	5	2	2	19	12	12
Easton F. C.	9	3	2	4	12	13	8
Pen Argyl	9	3	1	5	10	13	7
Allentown Y. M. C. A.	9	3	1	5	14	23	7
Standard A. A.	9	1	2	6	10	15	4

SOCCER IN THE LEHIGH VALLEY.BY MAJOR A. B. DESAULLES,
President Blue Mountain Soccer League.

The question has been asked the writer, and many with whom he has come in contact have looked with curiosity, "Why does a man of seventy-five years of age take the interest, devote time, etc., promoting Association football through the Blue Mountain League?" The answer is that the writer, from his youth up, has been devoted to all athletic sports, taking part, in youth, and fostering them, when he had to take a back seat. His two sons, Charles and Jack, inherited the love for athletics, making very good records for themselves at Yale University.

The great success of the Bethlehem F. C. in the season 1913-14 gave to Association football in the Lehigh Valley the means for Mr. John H. Carpenter to get together enough old players and enthusiasts at his first call to organize the Blue Mountain Association Football League, with six teams, electing the writer president, Mr. H. E. Lewis of the Bethlehem F. C., vice-president, Mr. John H. Carpenter, Hon. secretary, and Mr. J. W. Edmundson, treasurer.

Mr. Carpenter has so fully given you an account of the League's organization, its career, its cups, et cetera, that it would be foolish repetition for the writer to go over the same ground.

While spending the winter of 1911-12 at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, the writer was present at nearly all of the Association football and the American

football games staged in that city. In 1913 he spent the month of October in the south of France, and every Sunday Association football games were played. One of the teams he saw play won the championship of France twice. Returning to Bethlehem at the end of November, the Bethlehem F. C. was starting its wonderful career. The writer, having become an enthusiast, never missed a game, saw a good deal of Mr. H. E. Lewis, the manager of the team, watched the players, etc., and so naturally he has become a soccerist.

The Blue Mountain League will start the season of 1915-16 with six teams, which may be increased to eight, and with the same officers the writer is more enthusiastic than ever.

Mr. John H. Carpenter, Hon. secretary of the league, deserves all of the praise for its organization and his devotion to all duties pertaining to it. Its existence is due to him receiving, however, substantial aid from Mr. H. E. Lewis, vice-president.

CONNECTICUT STATE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Affiliated with the U. S. F. A.

BY JOE BOOTH, BRIDGEPORT, CONN., SECRETARY.

Officers.—President, John McMenemy, Manchester; vice-president, George Good, Naugatuck; treasurer, E. S. Eversfield, Bridgeport; secretary, Joe Booth, 83 Ogden Street, Bridgeport. Delegates-at-large, T. Wilson, Bridgeport; S. Macauley, Ansonia; M. Martin, New Haven. Representative to U. S. F. A., Joe Booth.

[Mr. Joe Booth, the energetic secretary of the Connecticut State Football Association, is indefatigable in his efforts to promote the game of soccer football. Besides his duties as secretary of the Connecticut State Football Association, he is also secretary of the Connecticut State Football League, secretary of the Connecticut Amateur League, secretary of the Bridgeport Schoolboys' League, secretary of the Bridgeport Junior League. Last season he attended 94 football meetings, wrote more than 900 columns for the papers and more than 2,300 letters and postals.—Editor.]

A little more than twelve months ago the clubs in Connecticut were termed "outlaws," at that time not being affiliated with the United States Football Association. T. W. Cahill and others, however, got to work and were in communication with the officials of the Connecticut State League, the premier league of the State, with a view of forming a State association, with the result that after several months of hard and consistent work a meeting was called, at which every club in the State was represented, and a State association formed. Since then the new organization has made rapid strides and the clubs in the State have almost doubled in number. Judging by the success attained in the initial year of the organization, the coming season appears to be even better, and already another new league has been formed in the State. During the past season three successful leagues have been run, two cup competitions established, and also a shield competition, which was competed for by the junior teams of the State in the spring. In addition, a schoolboys' league was organized in Bridgeport with great success. A referees' association has been formed, while several of the clubs also made great progress in the National Challenge Cup Competition, under the auspices of the U. S. F. A. Junior football in the State has also taken a great hold and this season we shall have to adopt some means to take care of these players.

In the State Cup competition, for possession of the valuable cup presented by Dr. Budd of New Haven, eleven teams entered from all over the State and the competition was exceedingly keen and exciting. The sensation of the first round was the refusal of Ansonia to travel to Taftville, with the result that the latter team entered the second round without playing a game. The semi-finalists were New Haven, New Britain, Taftville and Manchester United and the former won the trophy after a very hard struggle with New Britain in the final tie.

In the Spring Cup competition nine teams entered and some great struggles were witnessed, as Ansonia, not being strong enough to win the competition themselves, had to introduce New York players to strengthen their team. In this competition home-and-home games are played and the club who gets the most goals in the two games pass forward into the next round. In the first round Bridgeport City beat Norwalk, New Haven beat Academy, Manchester Glens beat Manchester United, New Britain beat Meriden, while Ansonia had a bye. The only game of the second round was between Ansonia and Bridgeport City, but after the first game had been played the latter club scratched. This left Manchester Glens to oppose Ansonia in the semi-final. Two great games were witnessed, but in each game Ansonia just managed to win by the odd goal. In the other semi-final, New Haven easily disposed of New Britain. The first final was played on the New Haven ground and on this occasion New Haven won by 3 goals to 2. The following week, on the Ansonia grounds, the score was reversed and extra time should have been played, but New Haven refused and walked off the field, the cup being awarded to Ansonia. Some great crowds watched these games and showed that the interest is on the increase.

EASTERN CONNECTICUT FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

BY J. ROYLE, PLAINFIELD, SECRETARY.

Officers—President, R. MacIntyre, Norwich; secretary-treasurer, J. Royle, Plainfield.

This league, which was one of the affiliated bodies to the Connecticut State Football Association, is one of the oldest organizations in the country but never took up the game seriously until last season, when two of the league teams entered cup competitions outside their own area. The Plainfield team entered the National Challenge Cup competition, but was beaten in the first round by the Academy team of Ansonia. The Taftville club entered the Connecticut State Cup competition and managed to reach the semi-final tie, only to be soundly beaten by New Britain. During the season a double schedule was played, owing to there being only four clubs in this section of the State. The Plainfield F. C. won both, the one in the fall being won only after a tie had been played, while the spring series was captured quite easily. The standing of the clubs in the spring series was:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Plainfield	6	6	0	0	31	3	12
Taftville	5	2	3	0	10	14	4
Baltic	5	2	3	0	6	16	4
Ponewah W. C.	6	1	5	0	3	17	2

The game between Taftville and Baltic was not played.

The Plainfield club played a team chosen from the rest of the clubs in the league on Good Friday, for the benefit of the British Relief Fund, and won easily by 4 goals to 0. The proceeds resulted in a record for the State, as over \$160.00 was handed over to the fund.

CONNECTICUT STATE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION.

BY ALEX CAVE, NEW HAVEN.

Officers.—President, J. Miller, New Haven; vice-president, J. Campbell, New Haven; secretary-treasurer, Alex Cave, New Haven.

This organization was formed on October 3 of last year. Joe Booth, after circularizing every referee in the State, called a meeting in New Haven at

which the organization was formed. The organization affiliated with the Connecticut State Football Association and the National Referees' Association. Eleven members were enrolled at the start, but this number will be increased this season. Four very successful meetings were held and great harmony prevailed among the members.

CONNECTICUT STATE FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

By JOE BOOTH, SECRETARY.

Officers.—President, Mr. Chance, Meriden; vice-president, G. Good, Naugatuck; secretary-treasurer, Joe Booth, Bridgeport.

This league, the premier soccer organization of the State, comprised fifteen clubs, which had to be divided into two sections, Northern and Southern. Several of the players had signed on for other teams in other States on the "Form C" amateur registrations and consequently when it came to the notice of the league delegates the clubs had to be punished by having points deducted. This caused great rivalry, with the result that neither race was decided until the last week of the season. In the Northern League New Britain was returned the winner after a successful appeal to the Appeals Committee of the U. S. F. A. against the decision of the State Association. This placed the club two points over Manchester Glens, who had once been declared winners. In the Southern League Ansonia gained the honors after a hard tussle with the Bridgeport City team. Appeals were plentiful in this league and the final honors were not decided until the very last game of the season. A game was played between teams representing English and Scottish players for the benefit of the British War Fund. The English players won the game by 2 goals to 0 and a fine sum was realized. The final standings of the clubs were as follows:

NORTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
New Britain	10	7	1	2	*14	Meriden	10	3	7	0	6
Manchester Glens	10	8	2	0	†12	Vikings	10	1	9	0	2
Manchester United	10	4	4	2	10	Brussels	Withdraw				
Terry Turbines	10	4	4	2	10						

* New Britain had two points deducted for playing ineligible players.

† Manchester Glens had four points deducted for playing ineligible players.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Ansonia	12	10	2	0	*18	Naugatuck	12	2	8	2	6
Bridgeport City	12	8	2	2	*16	Norwalk	12	1	7	4	6
Academy	12	7	4	1	15	Caledonians	12	2	8	2	6
New Haven	12	6	5	1	13	Garden City	Withdraw				

* Ansonia and Bridgeport City had each two points deducted for playing ineligible players.

CONNECTICUT AMATEUR LEAGUE.

By J. E. WALTON, BRIDGEPORT.

Officers.—President, J. E. Walton, Bridgeport; vice-president, R. Murray, New Haven; treasurer, J. G. Cockrane, New Haven; secretary, Joe Booth, Bridgeport; delegates to Connecticut State Football Association, F. Frame and J. E. Walton.

This is a new league and comprises the clubs that represented the Esling Shield Competition last season when the State Association arranged a competition for the junior teams of the State. During the progress of this competition twelve games were played and every one was fought out in the very

best of friendship, not an ineligible player being played by any of the teams nor a complaint of any description was sent in from either the referees or the clubs. Not even a player was sent off and this certainly set the State League an example. At the annual meeting it was decided to call the new league the "Connecticut Amateur League," and increase the number of clubs to eight or ten. The New Haven Waverleys won the competition last season after a hard struggle and are the first holders of the new Esling Shield.

BRIDGEPORT SCHOOLBOYS' LEAGUE.

BY JOE BOOTH.

Officers.—President, Harvey C. Went, Physical Instructor Bridgeport School; vice-president, John McCone, Caledonians F. C.; secretary-treasurer, Joe Booth, Bridgeport.

This league, which is the only one of its kind in the State of Connecticut, had a very successful season and, thanks to the kind work on the part of the various soccerites of the State, each school has been provided with a football and a good balance in hand towards buying uniforms for the boys. The committee was at a standstill at the beginning of last season on account of having no trophy, but the Bridgeport *Standard* came to the assistance of the organization and provided a splendid trophy in the shape of a cup. Seven teams entered and games were played right through the winter, Lincoln School boys being returned the winners by one point over the Black Rock team. These two teams met in the last game of the season and the result was a tie. The Lincolns, however, having a point lead prior to this game won the championship by this margin. It is expected that the parochial schools of the city will form a league this season.

NEW HAVEN FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY H. H. SMITH, SECRETARY.

The New Haven Football Club has just completed a very successful season, winning the Connecticut State Cup Competition and being runners-up in the Spring Cup competition. They are the finest cup fighting team in the State, for in the past four seasons they have been in the final of the Spring Cup competition no less than three times, while they managed to win the State Cup in its first season. In the league they finished fourth, 5 points behind the leaders and in the five games lost none was by more than one goal margin. In the State Cup competition New Haven ousted Bridgeport in the first round after a successful appeal (they having lost the first game), while in the second round two games were also necessary before the Terry Turbines of Hartford could be beaten. In the semi-final Manchester United was defeated on the Meriden ground, while New Britain team was defeated in the final tie by 3 to 1.

NAUGATUCK FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY GEORGE GOOD, SECRETARY.

Naugatuck has finished one of the most successful seasons in the history of the club, not exactly from a playing point of view, but financially and socially. The headquarters of the club are the finest in the State and the friendly spirit that exists between the management and the players is excellent, proving that to make a successful team there must be harmony among the players. This is the first season that Naugatuck has finished with a balance in hand, thanks to the team's loyal supporters.

SOCCER IN NEW ENGLAND.

BY ALBERT W. KEANE, NEW BEDFORD.

Association football made tremendous strides during the 1914-15 season in New England. In fact, the game drew as many spectators, many of whom were new followers of the sport, as any of the minor base ball leagues in this section did, and so popular did the soccer pastime become that it is freely predicted on all sides that New England will be the pre-eminent Association football field of the United States this season, if it keeps up the pace it has set in the past two years.

Untiring work, combined with a constant publicity, is the direct cause of the new growth of the game. Before the organization of the United States Football Association, and the affiliation of the two sectional governing bodies in this section of New England, the game was unorganized and run in a slipshod manner, teams springing up here and there, of a mushroom growth, only to be among the missing in a few months.

With the personal impetus given the sport when John A. Fernley of New Bedford assumed the office of national leader and his whole hearted interest in the game and his special efforts to make it thrive and enlarge, combined with the frequent missionary visits of National Secretary T. W. Cahill, who healed breaches that threatened to injure the sport, the season of 1914-15 was unquestionably New England's best from a football standpoint.

Just what team holds premier honors is an open question. The Boston Americans won the championship of the Boston and District league over the Fore River eleven. The Farr Alpaca team of Holyoke won the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Cup over the Methuen team of the Lawrence and District League.

The New Bedford team won the championship of the Southern New England League, the fastest and biggest league in the section, and the Southern New England cup was won by the Young Men's Catholic Total Abstiners' Soccer Football Club of New Bedford. The J. & P. Coats eleven of Pawtucket fought its way to the semi-final of the National Cup before losing to the Brooklyn Celtics at New Bedford, 2 to 1.

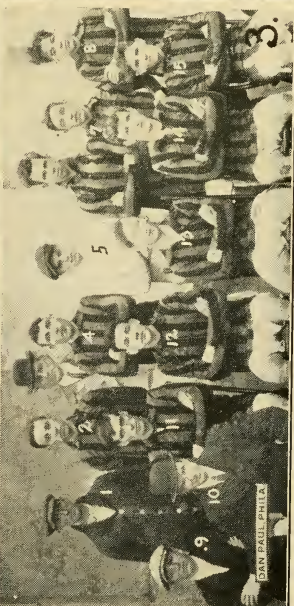
Now the Y. M. C. T. A. S. F. C., winners of the Southern New England Cup, were beaten five times by New Bedford in league and cup matches, being put out of the National Challenge Cup by the Whalers, but finishing in second place, with the Coats team third, in the league race. Fore River won from New Bedford in the third round of the cup, only to be beaten by J. & P. Coats in the fourth round. Fore River beat the Farr Alpaca team in the National Challenge Cup and the Boston Americans lost to the Y. M. C. T. A. S. F. C. in the qualifying round of that competition, but later beat Fore River.

This shows the even quality of football played and also gives an inkling of the interest that was aroused. This season even greater interest will be aroused, for a New England Cup competition will be played, which will be open to all teams in this section.

The newspapers deserve a word of credit for the space they gave the game. The New Bedford *Times* led the rest in this respect, giving a whole page every Thursday exclusively to soccer news from all sections of America. The other New Bedford papers did good work, so did those of Lawrence, Brockton, Pawtucket, and even Boston began to fall in line as the season waned. If the newspapers take up their task this season where they left off last year, the game is bound to make rapid advances.

Another thing that made the game was the fairness and strict methods of the ruling bodies. Players were held under control, both on and off the field; the games were played cleanly and neither players nor clubs were allowed to dictate policies or plans to the state associations.

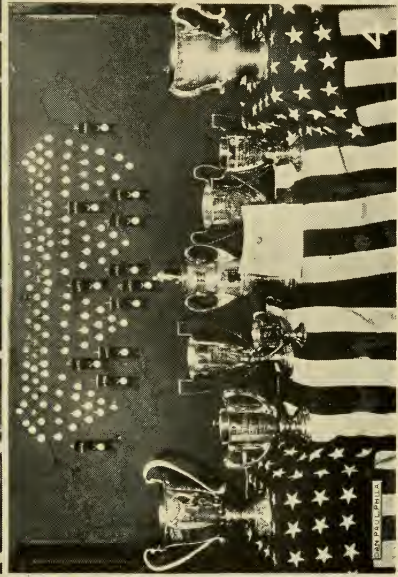
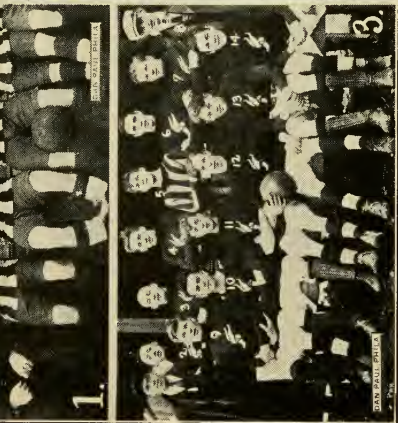
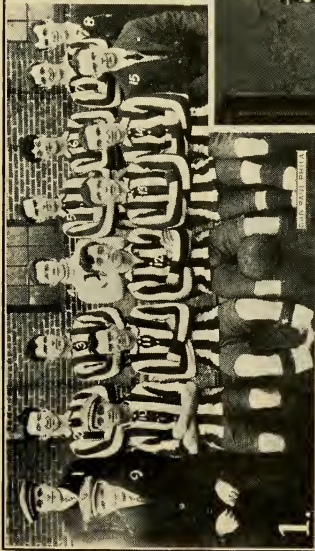
The writer, a working newspaperman who has given much time to the advancement of soccer, wishes to acknowledge the good work done in New England by President J. A. Fernley of the United States Football Association, President W. D. Love of the Southern New England Association, President



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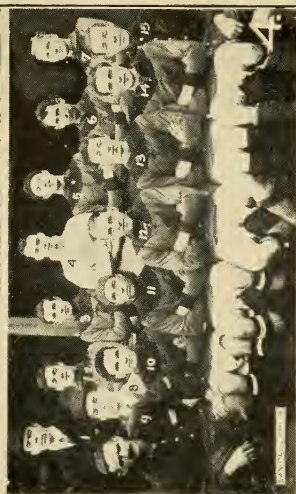
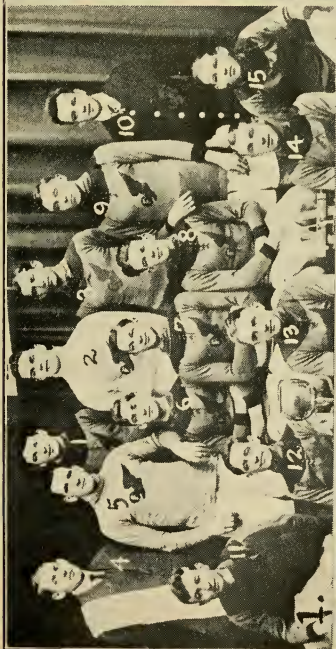
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(1) VISCOESE TEAM—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (2) PICK OF SECOND DIVISION—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (3) NORTHWEST BOYS' CLUB—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (4) ALLIED AMERICAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL TROPHIES. (5) OFFICIALS AT BENEFIT GAME FOR THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND DISTRICT FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON PARK, PHILADELPHIA, PA., MARCH 13, 1915—1, Paul; 2, Lyall; 3, Oates.



(1) ROSEMONT CELTIC TEAM—Second Division Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (2) PURITAN TEAM—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (3) ATLANTIC REFINING CO. TEAM—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa. (4) PYNT POYNE TEAM—Allied American Football Association of Philadelphia, Pa.



(1) FELTONVILLE A. C., PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Champions United League of Philadelphia, Pa.—1, Thomson, Capt.; 2, Felton; 3, Shaw; 4, Sauerland; 5, Griffith, 6, Wainman; 7, Geisler; 8, Banger; 9, Schuman; 10, Shuster; 11, Birmingham; 12, Phillips; 13, H. Derbyshire; 14, T. Derbyshire, Mgr.; 15, Demko. (2) PHILA DELPHIA (P.A.) TEXTILE FOOTBALL CLUB. (3) SHAMROCK TEAM—United League of Philadelphia, Pa.—Champions of North Philadelphia. (4) PICK OF UNITED LEAGUE OF PHILA-DELPHIA, PA.



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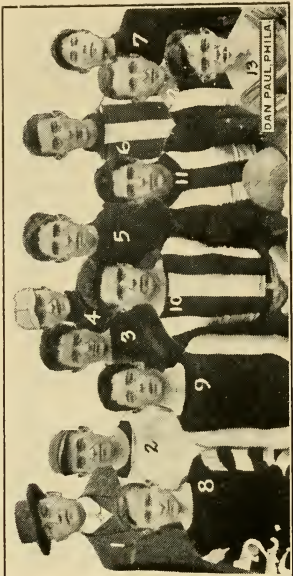
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J. A. Scholefield and Secretary George M. Collins of the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire Association, Secretary H. H. Williamson of the Southern New England League, and also to compliment these men on their untiring devotion to the game.

Propaganda work was not so thorough as might be in New England, owing to lack of funds to operate with and also to the varied soccer interests of the workers. But with conditions made more stable by the U. S. F. A. control of affairs I look to see the schoolboys in almost every large New England city playing the game this season and to see many new clubs of more experienced players spring into existence and prominence.

So, in closing, I confidently predict a bigger, better, busier and brighter soccer season for 1915-16 in New England than the game has ever seen in this section.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

BY WILLIAM D. LOVE, PAWTUCKET, R. I.

Since the organization of the Southern New England Football Association, which followed closely after the forming of the U. S. F. A., there has been a decided boom in soccer in this section. There are now five leagues under the jurisdiction of the Association, as follows: Southern New England League, Rhode Island League, Fall River City League, New Bedford City League, and Providence and District League.

The public is responding nobly to the call for support of the sport, prevailing opinion being that the game is on a sounder basis than ever before, which is bound to have continued progress under the guidance of the National body. Many new players have been brought out, some of whom will be seen in faster company the coming season.

The Southern New England League had a very successful season, but was handicapped through having two weak clubs which made a very poor showing.

The New Bedford Club won the league championship, the Young Men's Catholic Total Abstainers Soccer Football Club being runners-up. The race for first honors was between four clubs and was a close one, not being decided until the last game was played. These two teams reversed their positions in the *Times* Cup Competition.

The four other leagues had a very successful season and many good games were played.

In addition to the *Times* Cup Competition, just mentioned, there was also the Williams Challenge Cup Competition, open to all Rhode Island clubs. Crompton was successful in winning this handsome trophy for the second time and if fortunate enough to win it once more will become permanent owners.

The Southern New England Association is contemplating working in conjunction with the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association the coming season and will doubtless run an All-New England Cup Competition, which will be open to all clubs in New England affiliated with the U. S. F. A. The Pan-Americans and Fall River Rovers will enter clubs in all the different competitions and the old rivalry which existed several years ago between these two clubs will be revived.

The followers of the sport feel sure that the coming season will be the best ever had and hope to be successful in landing the National Challenge Cup in this district.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Affiliated with the U. S. F. A.

BY GEORGE RITCHIE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Officers.—President, Harry Sandager, Pawtucket, R. I.; vice-president, R. Bolton, Greystone, B. I.; secretary-treasurer, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I.

The Southern New England Football Association continues to progress in a satisfactory manner. In the season of 1913-14, the first year of the organization, there were eighteen clubs affiliated with it. Last season found thirty-eight clubs members, and with new clubs and leagues forming this should be a big season for organized football in this district.

The J. & P. Coats team upheld the reputation of the association by winning their way into the semi-final of the National Challenge Cup Competition, Brooklyn Celtic defeating them after a hard played game by 2 goals to 1. The handsome *Times* Trophy, presented to the Association by the New Bedford *Times*, has proved a very valuable asset in creating interest among the clubs, although only twelve clubs entered the competition. What it lacked in numbers was made up in enthusiasm and the quality of the teams taking part. The final brought together two of the best teams in the Association, namely, the Y. M. C. T. A. S. F. C. and the New Bedford F. C., both clubs belonging to New Bedford. The Y. M. C. T. A. S. F. C. had the honor of being the first club to have its name inscribed on the cup by defeating the New Bedford F. C. after a well fought game by 2 goals to 1. The results of competition by rounds was as follows:

First round—Fall River Rovers forfeited to Y.M.C.T.A.S.F.C.; Thornton 4, Crescents 0; New Bedford F. C. 2, Cove Albions 0; Greystone A. C. 2, Pawtucket 2; replay Greystone A. C. 4, Pawtucket 0. Rogans F. C. drew a bye.

Second round—Thornton 2, J. & P. Coats 1, Y.M.C.T.A.S.F.C. 2, Rogans 2; replay, Y.M.C.T.A.S.F.C. 3, Rogans 2; New Bedford F. C. 3, Greystone A. C. 1; Taunton City, Greystone F. C. (Greystone F. C. forfeited).

Semi Final round—Y.M.C.T.A.S.F.C. 4, Thornton 3; New Bedford F. C. 6, Taunton City 0.

Final round—Y.M.C.T.A.S.F.C. 2, New Bedford F. C. 1.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND SOCCER LEAGUE.

Affiliated with Southern New England Football Association.

Officers.—President, Harry Sandager, Pawtucket, R. I.; vice-president, D. A. Coholan, New Bedford; secretary, H. H. Williamson, New Bedford; treasurer, Stephen Bailey, Pawtucket, R. I.

STANDING OF CLUBS, 1914-1915.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
New Bedford	16	10	1	5	42	9	25
Y. M. C. T. A. S.....	14	9	3	2	33	16	20
J. & P. Coats.....	14	7	2	5	29	16	19
Pawtucket	16	2	11	3	26	53	7
Taunton City	16	2	13	1	12	43	5

FIELD CLUB SOCCER LEAGUE.

Member of Southern New York State Football Association.

BY A. NIXSON, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Officers.—President, E. Kaufman, Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club; Hon. secretary-treasurer, A. Nixson, Montclair A. C., 639 Sterling place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Members—Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club, Crescent Athletic Club, Montclair Athletic Club, Bensonhurst Field Club, N. Y. V. Richmond County Club, Englewood Field Club; associated with the Associated Cricket Clubs' Soccer League of Philadelphia.

Trophy—The Crescent Challenge Cup. Won by Crescent Athletic Club, 1910-11; Belmont Cricket Club, 1911-12; Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club, 1912-13; Crescent Athletic Club, 1913-14; Merchantville Field Club, 1914-15.

The Merchantville Field Club, winners of the Associated Cricket Clubs' Soccer League of Philadelphia, defeated the Crescent A. C., winners of the Field Club Soccer League of New York and New Jersey, by 4 goals to 2, thereby taking possession for one year of the Crescent Challenge Cup, which is competed for each year by the winners of their respective league. The final standing, season 1914-15, was as follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Cancelled.	For.	Against.	Points.
Crescent A. C.....	10	7	1	2	..	32	9	16
Staten Is. C. & T. C....	9	5	1	3	1	.24	9	14
Bensonhurst F. C.....	9	4	4	1	1	22	20	10
Columbia Univ.	7	3	3	1	3	11	16	10
Montclair A. C.....	8	2	4	2	2	19	15	8
Richmond County F. C. 9		0	8	1	1	7	46	2

SOCCER IN RHODE ISLAND AND SOUTHERN MASSACHUSETTS.

BY HARRY SANDAGER,

President Southern New England Football Association.

Of course it is easy to sit back and predict rosy things for the future of football in New England before Jack Frost has besieged us with his ice and snow, but as far as indications are concerned, it would seem that the Southern New England League should have a banner year. It will be the first time in five years that Rhode Island and Southern Massachusetts have had so many clubs in the big circuit. This fall there are seven, the J. & P. Coats of Pawtucket, who penetrated to the semi-final of the U. S. F. A. Cup last year; the Howard & Bullough eleven, the old A. F. A. Cup winner, which will have Billy Love back at the helm; the Pan-Americans of Fall River, which gained its title by winning the series at Buffalo during the Pan-American Exposition and who will again be led by Con Murphy; the Fall River Rovers, always an aggressive, hustling team; the New Bedford F. C., a U. S. F. A. semi-finalist two years ago; the bustling New Bedford Celtics, and last, but not least, the Fore River team from Quincy, Mass., the acknowledged exponents of the English short passing game in America.

If the weather man gives these elevens a chance, the New England public will have a treat, for the associations behind every eleven will be satisfied with nothing but high class outfits. It is true that there will be an absence of English football players, for England at this time is using all the able-bodied men within her provinces for war purposes and will permit none to leave the kingdom, but the affiliated and subsidiary leagues in this section have been developing players so fast that the loss of the imported stars will not be felt as greatly as might be supposed. As a matter of fact, both Fall River teams will use local talent and shrewd old Con Murphy began training his hopefuls as early as the middle of August. The Coats, Fore River, New Bedford F. C. and Celtics, formerly the "Temps," were all in the league last year and have preserved the nucleus of their clubs, so far as they have been able. The management of the three new clubs include men who had elevens in the old New England League of 1906-7-8 and are well versed in football.

Last year the Southern New England encountered a deal of inclement weather, but inasmuch as the current season extends from September to April, snow and ice are not expected to prove the obstacle of 1914-15 proportions. Practically all the clubs have entered their teams in the U. S. F. A. and the New Bedford *Times* Cup competitions, so there promises to be plenty of exciting games.

At this writing it is difficult to judge adequately the possibilities of the Rhode Island League, Providence and District League and Fall River and New Bedford City Leagues, but as these circuits have in other years thrived under the progressive administration of the United States Football Associa-

tion, the parent body, there is no valid reason why the coming season should not be as successful as its predecessors. One thing is sure, the kicking game is on the advance and is continually making greater progress.

RHODE ISLAND LEAGUE.

BY D. BOLTON, GREYSTONE, R. I.

Officers.—President, Thomas Taylor; vice-president, R. Bolton; treasurer, Joseph Crompton; secretary, George Ritchie.

The race for the championship of this league was again very close up to the last two or three games, the title being won by the Thornton St. Ronans, who had a very successful season, losing but two points, both of which were dropped in tie games against the Greystone A. C. This is a new mark for the league, having a team win 14 and draw 2 out of 16 contests. The standing:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points
Thornton	14	12	0	2	42	11	26
Greystone A. C.....	14	9	1	4	19	8	22
Crompton	14	8	5	1	16	13	17
Prospect Hill	14	5	7	2	10	16	12
J. & P. Coats.....	14	4	6	4	16	13	12
Thornton A. C.....	14	4	8	2	10	16	10
Home Bleach & Dye.....	14	5	9	0	24	31	10
Greystone	14	1	13	0	10	14	2

PROVIDENCE AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

BY HERBERT F. MURRAY, SECRETARY, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Officers (1914-15).—President, Henry S. Bingham; vice-president, John Morrow; secretary, Herbert F. Murray; treasurer, Harry Hunt; patron, A. A. Lupien.

The past season was the most successful which the Providence and District League has enjoyed since its formation. Although there was but six club in the circuit, the race was close and exciting and was not decided until the last game had been played.

Added interest was created by the donation by Mr. A. A. Lupien of Pawtucket, of a beautiful perpetual Challenge Cup, to be held for one year by the winners of the league.

This trophy is now held by the Ashton club, who have the distinction of having finished in first place in their first season in organized football.

The Lonsdale and Rogan elevens, who finished in a tie for second place with 20 points each, were formidable contenders and the Smithfield Avenue club also put in a strong bid for first honors. Final standing of the clubs was as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points
Ashton	15	12	3	0	44	24	24
Lonsdale	15	9	4	2	39	20	20
Rogan	15	9	4	2	35	20	20
Smithfield Ave.	15	7	5	3	29	30	17
Mt. Pleasant	15	2	11	2	15	40	6
Greystone Res.	15	0	14	1	10	43	1

WILLIAMS CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION OF RHODE ISLAND.

BY D. BOLTON, GREYSTONE, R. I.

The Williams Challenge Cup Competition is open to all clubs in the State of Rhode Island affiliated with the United States Football Association. Dur

ng the 1914-15 competition eight of the premier elevens of Rhode Island participated, with the result that large crowds patronized all the contests, and the class of soccer furnished the followers of the sport in Rhode Island was the best ever offered the patrons. The Crompton F. C. of Crompton, R. I., won the cup by defeating the Greystone A. C. in the final by a score of 2 to 0. This makes the second time in succession that the Crompton F. C. have lifted the cup, having in the 1913-14 competition defeated the J. & P. Coates F. C. in the final by a score of 4 to 0. The summary:

First round—Thornton 5, Home Bleach and Dye 1; Prospect Hill 3, Smithfield Avenue 1; Crompton 7, Mount Pleasant 1; Greystone A. C. 3; Thornton A. C. 0.

Semi-final round—Crompton 3, Thornton 2; Greystone A. C. 3, Prospect Hill 0.

Final round—Crompton 2, Greystone A. C. 0.

SOCCKER IN MASSACHUSETTS.

BY GEORGE M. COLLINS,

Secretary North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association.

Old New England has once again demonstrated its ability to maintain first place as a soccer district. In our State association, territory of North Massachusetts and New Hampshire, we have now seventy clubs, six leagues, five referees' associations and numerous cup competitions, all in good standing and doing good business at the old and new stands. The real reasons for the phenomenal increase in this section is good, clean soccer. The average American is a good sport and appreciates any sport that has life and plenty of action to it. Such a sport is this game of soccer football.

The work of carrying on a live State organization is heavy, yet very pleasant and extremely interesting. We have given considerable time and labor to the different affiliated associations, sending delegations to our far-away territories. To such men as President Jas. E. Scholefield of our association; S. McLerle, soccer editor of the Boston traveler; George Lambie, premier referee, and Presidents Merchant and J. Gibson of the Boston and District League, soccer enthusiasts must doff their hats. All these men and numerous others have done yeoman service for the advancement of the game we all love so well.

We have always given our best attention to our grown up soccer players, but I think the time has arrived when our soccer players to be should be given our best efforts. The school boys must be catered to if we desire their interest and assistance. This coming season the North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football Association will take up seriously the question of how to get the boys really playing soccer. To me, no game is so played to give all one's muscles, intellect and stamina so much exercise as soccer. In a good hard game, grit and intelligence will win against brawn and brute strength. I am not a lover of the Rugby game as it is played, yet I maintain there is more than room for this splendid game. There are thousands of boys in this country who will never make a place on a Rugby team who, if shown and encouraged, would easily make a place on a soccer team and be an acquisition to any soccer club. That boy is the boy for me. I can use him.

A few years ago we had to plead on the newspapers to give us a line, now they are looking for soccer news all the time. To the press we are deeply indebted.

But to get back to my dry reading. Our State Cup competition was a great success last season, and we are looking forward to a greater success this coming season. There were thirty-one clubs entered from all over the State. Worcester, Springfield, Lawrence, Holyoke, Lynn, Manchester, N. H., and Boston all sending their best teams to compete. The competition was played off in sections as the following table will show. Two western New

England cities were given the opportunity of witnessing one semi-final and the final.

To the people in Springfield and Holyoke we are indebted for the splendid support these cities gave our games. Fully three thousand spectators saw the final game at Holyoke, which game was played under ideal weather conditions. Some sceptics tell us soccer will die out. After seeing such a crowd I can say safely and without exaggerating that soccer is here to stay and, the day is not far distant when the rank and file of our cities and towns will appreciate this fact and, instead of staying home during the beautiful fall and early spring months, will hie themselves to see the king of all winter sports, soccer football.

FIRST ROUND.

Central Massachusetts Association Football League District—Worcester F. C. 6, Clinton F. C. 1 (Referee, Wm. Walsh); Whitensville F. C. 2, Clan Scott F. C. 1 (Referee, A. Safstrom).

Western New England Association Football League District—West Boylston F. C. 4, Clan Murray F. C. 2 (Referee, R. Ritchie); Farr Alpaca F. C. 5, Holyoke Caledonians F. C. 1 (Referee, A. Underwood); replayed, referee failing to appear.

Lawrence, Lowell and District Soccer League District—Lawrence Olympics F. C. 1, Beverley F. C. 0 (Referee, J. Tuson); South Lawrence F. C. 1, Clan McPherson F. C. 4 (Referee, A. Ratcliffe); Andover Thistles F. C. 3, Manchester Lt. Blues F. C. 4 (Referee, W. Settle); Methuen F. C. 2, Lawrence F. C. 1 (Referee, T. Ritchie); replayed by order cup committee; Bunting F. C. 1, Andover United F. C. 3 (Referee, W. Patterson).

Boston and District Association Football League District—Lynn Fosse F. C. 3, Clan Sutherland F. C. 1 (Referee, T. Wise); Carters F. C., Lynn Hibs F. C. (Referee J. Howe), game awarded to Lynn Hibs, Carters F. C. failing to appear; Brockton F. C. 2, Clan Lindsay F. C. 0 (Referee, H. Gray); Boston Rovers F. C. 0, Trimo F. C. 3 (Alternate Referee, D. Scott); draw 1-1 (darkness), replayed 1-0; protested; replayed; result as above; St. George's F. C. 0, General Electric F. C. 2 (Referee, G. Lambie); Boston Americans F. C. 1, Charlestown F. C. 2 (Referee, A. Innes); replayed after a 1-1 draw.

SECOND ROUND.

West Boylston F. C. 3, Farr Alpaca F. C. 4 (Referee, T. Farnon); Worcester F. C. 1, Whitensville F. C. 3 (Referee, S. McClements), replayed by order cup committee on account of being unfinished; resulted as follows: Worcester F. C. 0, Whitensville F. C. 6 (Referee, S. McClements); Lawrence Olympics F. C. 2, Manchester Light Blues F. C. 2 (Referee, J. Nicol); replayed, Olympics F. C. 2, Manchester Light Blues F. C. 5; Andover United F. C. 3, Clan McPherson F. C. 1 (Referee, P. Darcy); Methuen F. C. a bye; Trimo F. C. 1, General Electrics F. C. 4 (Referee, W. Andrew); Lynn Hibs F. C. 1, Charlestown F. C. 0 (Referee, A. Catto); Brockton F. C., Emerson and Norris F. C. (Referee A. Robertson), game awarded Brockton F. C. by cup committee; Lynn Fosse F. C. a bye.

THIRD ROUND.

Lynn Foss F. C. 2, Methuen F. C. 5 (Referee, A. Wilkinson); all other clubs received byes.

FOURTH ROUND.

Whitensville F. C. 4, Farr Alpaca F. C. 5 (Referee, J. Yair); Brockton F. C. 2, Manchester Light Blues F. C. 1 (Referee, R. McClay); replayed, Brockton F. C. 3, Manchester Light Blues F. C. 2; General Electrics F. C. 2, Andover United F. C. 2 (Referee, R. Ritchie); replayed, General Electrics F. C. 3, Andover United F. C. 2; Lynn Hibs F. C. 1, Methuen F. C. 1 (Referee, F. Houghton); replayed, Lynn Hibs F. C. 0, Methuen F. C. 1; ordered replayed by cup committee, Lynn Hibs F. C. 0, Methuen F. C. 2.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

Farr Alpaca F. C. 3, Methuen F. C. 1 (Referee, D. Scott), played at Springfield; General Electrics F. C. 5, Brockton F. C. 0 (Referee, J. Tuson), played at Boston, Mass.

FINAL ROUND.

General Electrics F. C. 2, Farr Alpaca F. C. 1 (Referee, D. Scott), played at Holyoke.

Three thousand persons paid admission to the final game.

SOCCER IN BROCKTON, MASS.

BY GEORGE H. BURFORD.

Since the formation of the United States Football Association, soccer has jumped with leaps and bounds all over the United States, and Brockton, as a progressive city, has kept pace with the best in the country. A few years ago only one club (the Brockton Cricket Club) could muster enough men together to compete at the soccer game during the fall season, but during the past three years no less than thirteen organized teams are playing soccer during the fall.

The Cricket Club still leads the way in Brockton soccerdom and is a member of the Boston and District Soccer League. Two years ago a committee from the Cricket Club visited the city officials and explained the benefits to be derived in having the school department place soccer on the list of athletic sports, to which assent was readily given. The game was first tried with the grammar school boys, and no less than nine teams entered a league race. In a short time soccer became so popular both with the boys and city officials that nothing but praise can be heard on all sides for introducing the game here. A beautiful silver cup was donated by the dry goods firm of Cook & Tyndall Co. for the winner of the grammar school league, the condition being that the school winning the trophy three times in succession should own the cup outright. The Winthrop School has obtained this honor two seasons in succession and the race this fall promises to be most interesting. The boys play a fine exhibition of soccer and I doubt if there is a grammar school team in the East with seventh and eighth grade pupils that could take the measure of the Winthrop School soccer team.

During the spring of 1915 a junior soccer league was organized with four clubs entered and the possibility of at least two more joining before the fall season starts. Three of the junior clubs are in Brockton and the fourth is located at Canton (a nearby town). Mr. Chester Hickman, a business man of Brockton, has donated a beautiful silver cup to the junior league and there will be some interesting soccer contests in Brockton during the coming season.

Taken all in all, if every city in the country where soccer has gained a foothold had progressed in soccer during the past three years as has been the case in Brockton, the grand old game would be a strong competitor with the great American game of base ball, but I feel sure that in a few short years, with the soccer reins in the hands of such men as are at present leading us on, the future of soccer in this country is one of vast possibilities. Success is bound to come to those who put self aside and think only of the merits of the game that has stood the test of time.

NEW BEDFORD F. C. OF NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

BY H. H. WILLIAMSON.

Officers.—President, William Beardsworth; vice-president, Wm. A. McHugh; secretary, H. H. Williamson; treasurer, Albert W. Keane; directors, John J. Barnes, James Baron; trainer, Roger Preston.

The season of 1914-15 was without question the most successful soccer year the city of New Bedford has ever experienced, the local fans enjoying first class soccer every Saturday and holiday throughout the playing season.

The New Bedford club carried off the honors of the Southern New England League, in which competition but one reverse was sustained, at the expense of the J. & P. Coats eleven, the local players piling up 42 goals against 9.

The club was also successful in running into the final of the *Times* Cup for Southern New England clubs, being defeated by their local rivals, the Temps, by the odd goal of three.

After defeating the Temps and Fall River Rovers in the National Challenge Cup competition, the Fore River F. C. knocked the Whalers out of the third round after a replay at Fall River, the Quincy club gaining the honors by a solitary tally.

During the season the club played 33 games, winning 20 and losing 8, the remaining 5 being drawn, with a goal record of 87 against 36.

Although well balanced fore and aft, the team was best served at half-back, and with a galaxy of middle line players, consisting of Stewart, Beardsworth, Kelly, Brown and Pomfret, the selectors were quite often spoiled for choice.

The forwards averaged slightly better than 2½ goals per game, Norse 14, Chadwick 13, Beardsworth 11, and Bernier 9, accounting for more than one-half the total of 87 tallies, divided among 21 players.

Haworth in goal, with Greer and Baines at full-back, formed a strong defense, which kept a clean sheet in twelve games, sacrificing a solitary goal on twelve other occasions.

In the encounters with their local rivals, the Temps, New Bedford won three league games, 3-0, 1-0 and 3-0, and tied the fourth, 1-1, losing two cup ties, 0-2, 1-2, and winning on one occasion by 2-1, with a goal average of 11 against 6, the crowd showing its interest by rolling up to the extent of over twelve thousand in the seven local derbies staged between the rival clubs.

The loyalty of the fans was manifested by an average "home" gate of well over a thousand paid admissions. The complete record of the club follows:

1914	Opponents.	For.	Against.	Competition.
Sept. 12	Taunton City F. C.	2	0	Exhibition.
Sept. 19	Brooklyn F. C.	3	5	Exhibition.
Sept. 26	J. & P. Coats F. C.	3	0	League.
Oct. 3	Taunton City F. C.	4	0	League.
Oct. 10	West Philadelphia F. C.	0	1	Exhibition.
Oct. 12	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	3	0	League.
Oct. 17	Cove Albion F. C.	2	0	S.N.E. Cup—first round
Oct. 31	Pawtucket F. C.	4	2	League.
Nov. 14	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	0	2	Nat. Cup—first round.
Nov. 21	Taunton City F. C.	1	1	League.
Nov. 26	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	1	1	League.
Nov. 28	Taunton City F. C.	3	0	League.
Dec. 5	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	2	1	Nat. Cup—replay.
Dec. 12	Fall River Rovers F. C.	4	2	Nat. Cup—second round.
Dec. 19	Fall River Rovers F. C.	0	1	Exhibition.
Dec. 25	Pawtucket F. C.	5	0	League.
Dec. 26	Greystone A. C. F. C.	3	1	S.N.E. Cup—second round
1915.				
Jan. 2	J. & P. Coats F. C.	1	2	League.
Jan. 9	Pawtucket F. C.	1	1	League.
Jan. 30	Taunton City F. C.	6	0	S.N.E. Cup—semi-final
Feb. 13	Taunton City F. C.	3	1	League
Feb. 20	Fore River F. C.	0	1	Nat. Cup—third round
Feb. 22	Boston Americans F. C.	6	3	Exhibition
Feb. 27	Charlestown F. C.	5	1	Exhibition
Mar. 6	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	1	0	League
Mar. 13	Fore River F. C.	0	1	Nat. Cup—replay
Mar. 20	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	1	2	S.N.E. Cup—final
Mar. 27	J. & P. Coats F. C.	0	0	League
April 17	Brockton F. C.	5	4	Exhibition
April 24	Pawtucket F. C.	8	0	League.
May 1	Y. M. C. T. A. S.	3	0	League
May 8	J. & P. Coats F. C.	1	1	League
May 29	Pick of S. N. E. League.	6	2	Exhibition

RECORD OF COMPETITIONS.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.
Southern New England League.....	16	10	1	5	42	9
National Challenge Cup.....	5	2	3	0	6	7
Southern New England Cup.....	4	3	1	0	12	3
Exhibition	8	5	3	0	27	17
Grand total	33	20	8	5	87	36

THE NORTHERN MASSACHUSETTS AND NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE ASSOCIATION.

BY PRESIDENT JAMES E. SCHOLEFIELD, METHUEN, MASS.

We made history last season, and this season we are out to repeat. We have six leagues, three referees' associations and over sixty clubs members of our Association. Can you beat that? Last year the final tie of the State Cup between Lynn Electric and Farr Alpaca Co., played at Holyoke, attracted a crowd that paid nearly \$600 to see the game. Thirty-two clubs competed for the State Cup and this year we shall have more. The State officials traveled extensively and gave much time and thought to the administration of the game. Our organization is being improved by experience. As successful as we have been, like Oliver Twist, we are clamoring for more. We are not satisfied with the game being played in certain districts, but we intend to foster and introduce the game wherever it is possible to get a few active young men interested. The growth of the game in this country depends entirely on the propaganda work done by the different associations. The motto of every State association should be "Purity and Progress"—purity in the administration of its laws, and progress in the field of its endeavors. The officials of the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Association are ready for the coming of the season, united in one aim, "The advance of our association, as a means to the further progress of that king of outdoor recreation—Soccer."

LAWRENCE AND DISTRICT JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Andover Thistles, Andover Hearts, Manchester Thistles, Olympic Reserves, North Andover United and Lawrence Reserves made a very strong and successful league. The Olympics played classic soccer and were exponents that augur well for the future of several of their players. They went through the schedule without a defeat and only lost one point, the Andover Thistles playing them a tie game. The Olympics also won the Mulholland Cup, after a splendidly contested game with Andover Thistles.

LAWRENCE AND DISTRICT INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE.

Officers.—President, James E. Scholefield; vice-president, William Pangburn; treasurer, James W. Riley; secretary, Dan S. Dumphy, 24 Camden Street, Lawrence, Mass.

Clubs.—Andover Thistles, Manchester Thistles, Andover Hearts, Lawrence United, and North Andover.

The prospects for a successful season are again very bright. The organizations are working smoothly, and early in August all plans were perfected for the opening of the season. The Lawrence and District Junior League will in future be known as the Lawrence and District Intermediate League.

LAWRENCE, LOWELL AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

Officers.—President, Richard Fielding; vice-president, E. J. Anderson; treasurer, H. Townley; secretary John A. Wishart, 156 Andover Street, Lawrence, Mass.

Clubs.—Andover, Lawrence, Lawrence Olympics, Methuen, Beverly, Haverhill, Lowell Buntings, and Clan McPhersons.

The champions of the Lawrence, Lowell and District League last season was the Andover club. The league comprised Andover, Beverly, Lawrence Olympics, Lawrence, Haverhill, Lowell Buntings, South Lawrence, Clan McPhersons, Methuen, and Manchester Blues. The Andover team put up a great brand of soccer and only lost one game all season. Up to the last few weeks the race was very close, the Lawrence Olympics making great efforts to dislodge Andover from the lead. Andover, however, finished champions. Their record: 16 won, 1 lost and 1 drawn.

Andover also were winners of the Marshall Cup. The final game, with South Lawrence, was a remarkable one. The contest lasted two hours and twenty minutes without a goal being scored. Andover won the replay in easy fashion by 4 goals to 1.

The annual exhibition game, played on Thanksgiving Day at Glen Essex, the grounds of the Lawrence club, between teams representing England and Scotland, fully illustrates the popularity of soccer, by the fact that over 5,000 fans paid admission.

Methuen brought honor to the league by reaching the semi-final of the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Cup, meeting defeat by Farr Alpaca, 3 goals to 1, at Holyoke, only after a stubborn struggle, the Alpaca's last two goals being scored in the last five minutes of the encounter.

BALTIMORE PUBLIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

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1914.

BY WILLIAM BURDICK, M.D., DIRECTOR, BALTIMORE, MD.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT—CLIFTON PARK.

Lightweight—95-lb. Class.

P. S. 85 2, P. S. 45 0	P. S. 74 1, P. S. 85 0	P. S. 99A 1, P. S. 80 0
P. S. 50A 2, P. S. 37 0	P. S. 52 1, P. S. 50A 0	P. S. 74 1, P. S. 52 0
P. S. 52 2, P. S. 20 0	P. S. 99A 4, P. S. 94 0	P. S. 99A 1, P. S. 74 0
P. S. 94 5, P. S. 5 0	P. S. 80 1, P. S. 99B 0	P. S. 99A 1, P. S. 74 0
P. S. 99A 4, P. S. 50B 0		

Won by P. S. 99—W. Ballone, F. Bauers, M. Brantigan, E. Bosley, W. Boylun, J. Dieter, H. Henderson, B. Kedding, J. McCabe, R. McGuire, J. Streb, W. Walton.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

P. S. 85 1, P. S. 74 0	P. S. 85 2, P. S. 94 0	P. S. 85 3, P. S. 45 0
P. S. 80 1, P. S. 52 0 f.	P. S. 45 2, P. S. 80 0	P. S. 85 1, P. S. 45 0

Won by P. S. 85—H. Davidson, W. Engleman, J. Gardner, L. Haslup, E. Kesting, J. Long, P. McQuay, E. Rogers, H. Schroder, H. Thom, E. Vomisek.

Unlimited Weight Class.

P. S. 80 1, P. S. 20 0	P. S. 99 1, P. S. 80 0	P. S. 99 1, P. S. 80 0
P. S. 99 4, P. S. 52 0	P. S. 99 0, P. S. 80 0	

Won by P. S. 99—C. Booze, A. Bosley, G. Duvall, W. Garman, E. Gittings, E. Greene, H. Newcomb, W. Puhl, F. Schackert, H. Schmidt, P. Snyder, W. Witzell.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—EASTERWOOD PARK.

Lightweight—95-lb. Class.

P. S. 62B 1, P. S. 79 0 f.
P. S. 49 2, P. S. 62A 0

P. S. 62B 2, P. S. 78 1
P. S. 62B 1, P. S. 49 0

P. S. 62B 5, P. S. 49 0

Won by P. S. 62B—R. Albert, H. Baugher, R. Brown, W. Carroll, T. Conway, H. Degele, A. Dorrida, C. Eimer, C. Ferguson, J. Harrison, I. Paris, H. Quick, W. Stulman.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

P. S. 78 2, P. S. 60 0

P. S. 78 4, P. S. 60 0

Won by P. S. 78—P. Bond, C. Chairs, R. Cromwell, H. Decker, L. Eareckson, C. Estep, E. Feuss, R. Jett, C. Machamer, J. Phillips, C. Robinson V. Simering, W. Warfield, R. Wheeler.

Unlimited Weight Class.

P. S. 62 2, P. S. 60 1
P. S. 62 1, P. S. 79 0

P. S. 79 2, P. S. 62 1

P. S. 62 2, P. S. 79 1

Won by P. S. 62—C. Hudson, J. Kline, F. Krauss, L. Lucy, E. McPhail, R. Mannel O. Richerson, E. Snader, G. Tregoe, O. Wallace, J. Zimmerman.

NORTHERN DISTRICT—WEST PARK.

Lightweight—95-lb. Class.

P. S. 57 1, P. S. 56 0
P. S. 58 2, P. S. 55 0

P. S. 58 4, P. S. 57 0

P. S. 58 1, P. S. 57 0 f.

Won by P. S. 58—C. Dunkle, C. Eaton, E. Ford, L. Ford, R. Ford, R. Garber, C. Lee, H. Loats, C. Mason, A. Rigney, A. Riley, W. Schaffer, L. Steffey, R. Steffey, A. Thompson, A. Tydings.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

Only one entry, P. S. 58.

Unlimited Weight Class.

Only one entry, P. S. 55.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT—PATTERSON PARK.

P. S. 2 1, P. S. 71 0
P. S. 27 1, P. S. 47 0
P. S. 77 5, P. S. 24A 0
P. S. 83 2, P. S. 2 0

P. S. 27 7, P. S. 24B 0

P. S. 27 3, P. S. 13 0

P. S. 13 1, P. S. 6 0

P. S. 27 1, P. S. 83 0

P. S. 83 2, P. S. 77 0

P. S. 27 1, P. S. 83 0

Won by P. S. 27—A. Abramson, F. Ammond, O. Carpenter, E. Drimal, W. Fox, W. Hinkel, W. Morgan, S. Rosenthal, O. Schaller, A. Susemihl, E. Thomas, W. Zellers.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

P. S. 77 3, P. S. 24 0
P. S. 83 3, P. S. 42 0

P. S. 77 1, P. S. 2 0
P. S. 83 10, P. S. 71 0

P. S. 83 4, P. S. 77 0
P. S. 83 8, P. S. 77 0

Won by P. S. 83—F. Biener, G. Clark, N. Corbitt, A. Donald, J. Donald, A. Ehrlinger, E. Filby, M. Neiss, J. Neun, H. O'Hara, V. Pole, O. Smith.

Unlimited Weight Class.

Only one entry, P. S. 27.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT—CARROLL PARK.

Lightweight—95-lb. Class.

P. S. 72 7, P. S. 30 0
P. S. 1 3, P. S. 22 0
P. S. 72 3, P. S. 86 0

P. S. 1 2, P. S. 95 1
P. S. 72 1, P. S. 1 0

P. S. 1 1, P. S. 72 0

P. S. 72 2, P. S. 1 0

Won by P. S. 72—J. Bauman, R. Bishop, R. Ebbert, H. Hudlin, G. Huggins, C. Jenkins, J. Klusky, L. McConville, W. Maher, E. Meushaw, J. Muzdakakis, E. Pfeifer, A. Walucus, C. Wilkerson, K. Zeuch.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

P. S. 75 4, P. S. 1 1

P. S. 75 2, P. S. 1 0

Won by P. S. 75—E. Birkett, R. Drennan, H. Irvin, S. Kranz, G. McCann, E. Peters, H. Pumpianski, J. Schwartz, R. Smith, W. Zahrendt, S. Windsor, E. Winters.

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT—LATROBE PARK.

Lightweight—95-lb. Class.

P. S. 92 4, P. S. 33 0 P. S. 76 3, P. S. 35 0 P. S. 76 2, P. S. 92 1
 P. S. 76 7, P. S. 28 0 P. S. 92 2, P. S. 29 1 P. S. 76 2, P. S. 92 0
 P. S. 35 1, P. S. 70 0 f.

Won by P. S. 76—E. Belderman, G. Burmeister, A. Hamburg, W. Derschinger, W. Hoffman, A. Pomorisacz, A. Silver, C. Seward, A. Sommer, A. Steinetz, W. Swanke, G. Viskocl, W. Waters, J. Wilhelm.

Middleweight—115-lb. Class.

P. S. 84 1, P. S. 70 0 f. P. S. 84 1, P. S. 70 0

Won by P. S. 84—S. Birley, J. Byron, W. Byron, H. Ditmar, J. Ebert, H. Frome, F. Heinz, C. Herth, R. Joeckel, G. Jory, J. King, L. Lugenbeel, L. Michael, W. Pickett, M. Resan, W. Ross, F. Sullivan, T. E. Welsh, R. Wright, M. Zimmerman.

CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Lightweight Class.

P. S. 62 5, P. S. 58 0, at Easterwood P. S. 62 1, P. S. 72 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 72 1, P. S. 76 0, at Latrobe P. S. 99 1, P. S. 27 0, at Patterson
 P. S. 72 1, P. S. 76 0, at Carroll P. S. 27 2, P. S. 99 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 62 2, P. S. 58 0, at West P. S. 62 3, P. S. 27 0, at Easterwood
 P. S. 62 1, P. S. 72 0, at Easterwood P. S. 27 0, P. S. 62 0, at Patterson
 P. S. 27 1, P. S. 99 0, at Clifton P. S. 62 1, P. S. 27 0, at Clifton

Lightweight City Championship won by P. S. 62—R. Albert, H. Baugher, R. Brown, W. Carroll, T. Conway, H. Degele, A. Dorrida, C. Eimer, C. Ferguson, J. Harrison, I. Paris, H. Quick, W. Stulman.

Middleweight Class.

P. S. 75 3, P. S. 84 0, at Carroll P. S. 83 2, P. S. 85 0, at Patterson
 P. S. 75 4, P. S. 84 0, at Latrobe P. S. 75 1, P. S. 78 0, at Clifton
 P. S. 83 1, P. S. 85 0, at Clifton P. S. 75 1, P. S. 83 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 75 2, P. S. 78 0, at Easterwood P. S. 83 1, P. S. 75 0, at Patterson
 P. S. 75 1, P. S. 78 1, at Carroll P. S. 83 2, P. S. 75 0, at Clifton

Middleweight City Championship won by P. S. 83—F. Biener, G. Clark, N. Corbett, A. Donald, J. Donald, A. Ehrlinger, E. Filbey, M. Neiss, J. Neun, H. O'Hara, V. Pole, O. Smith.

Heavyweight Class.

P. S. 55 1, P. S. 27 0, at West P. S. 27 0, P. S. 99 0, at Clifton
 P. S. 27 2, P. S. 55 0, at Patterson P. S. 27 0, P. S. 99 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 62 1, P. S. 99 0, at Easterwood P. S. 27 0, P. S. 99 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 99 6, P. S. 62 0, at Clifton P. S. 27 0, P. S. 99 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 27 2, P. S. 55 1, at Carroll P. S. 27 1, P. S. 99 1, Carroll
 P. S. 99 1, P. S. 62 0, at Patterson P. S. 99 1, P. S. 27 0, at Carroll
 P. S. 27 3, P. S. 99 2, at Patterson P. S. 99 2, P. S. 27 1, at Carroll

Heavyweight City Championship won by P. S. 99—C. Booze, A. Bosley, G. Duvall, W. Garman, E. Gittings, E. Green, H. Newcomb, W. Puhl, F. Schackert, H. Smith, P. Snyder, W. Witzell.

SOCCER IN CHICAGO, ILL.

BY ARCHIBALD BIRSE, CHICAGO, ILL.

Treasurer United States Football Association.

First in importance among the achievements of the Chicago soccer bodies in the past year should be placed their remarkable showing in the National Challenge Cup Competition, into which no less than six clubs entered. In the qualifying round the Bricklayers and Masons team disposed of Calumet by 6 goals to 2. In the first round proper the "Brickies" again triumphed by beating the famous Hyde Park Blues in a fast game, which ended in semi-

darkness, by 5 to 3. In this round the one-time unbeatable Campbell Rovers were overwhelmed by their native rivals—the McDuffs—by 5 to 1, while Pullman beat the plucky Roses of Detroit, at Chicago, by 3 to 0. By far the best contest in the second round was the splendidly contested game between Pullman and the Bricklayers, in which the local champions won out by the close score of 1 to 0. In this round the Packards of Detroit played the McDuffs at Chicago in weather which would be properly described as execrable, and trimmed them to the tune of 3 to 0. The Packards on this occasion were accorded the highest praise for undertaking this game in stormy, zero weather and in presence of a "gate" that yielded them as their share of receipts less than \$15. After the game the McDuffs treated their opponents in a thoroughly hospitable manner and demonstrated that they were sportsmen of the highest type. True to their proverbial bad luck, our premier Pullmans were forced by the "draw" to travel in the third round—this time to Detroit, to meet the McDuffs' conquerors—the Packards—and to the immense satisfaction of Chicago soccerdom they returned victors by 2 to 1. At this game a noted British referee described the Pullmans' playing exhibition equal to the best in the United States and predicted that they would be semi-finalists. However, the long journey to Pennsylvania, to meet the Homestead Steel Works team in the fourth round, upset this prediction and Chicago's best team was forced to retire from the competition, 2 to 1.

The competition of the Association Football League of Chicago was fully up to average. The feature, however, was the remarkable performance of one of the baby teams, the Bricklayers, who finished only two points behind the Pullmans. The following table gives the standing of clubs at end of season:

	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Pullman	15	2	0	78	17	*32
Bricklayers and Masons.....	13	2	2	54	16	*30
Joliet Steel Works.....	13	4	1	54	17	27
McDuff	10	6	2	52	37	22
Calumet	9	8	1	37	30	19
Campbell Rovers	4	8	5	21	39	*15
Hyde Park Blues.....	7	9	2	33	41	†14
Hibernians	4	12	2	23	70	10
Mason Park	4	9	2	24	34	†8
Washington Heights	0	18	0	15	90	0

*Two points forfeited by Mason Park. †Two points deducted—ineligible men.

It is to be regretted that Washington Heights should stand lowest in the league table, for the reason that it possesses the finest soccer grounds in Chicago. Its president, Mr. Christy J. Galvin, has laid out over \$9,000 in acquiring a splendid park, beautifully fenced and with ample seating accommodations. He has also provided spacious dressing rooms, with shower baths attached. For the coming season President Galvin has engaged the services of Mr. A. M. Reilly, a former St. Louis soccer expert, as secretary-manager, and the soccer public are hoping that never again will be seen Washington Heights at the foot of the ladder.

All the clubs played the complete schedule with the exception of Mason Park, who were fined, and later suspended, for non-appearance at a game. The league has been well managed, the executive at all times being free from all outside influence and interference.

For the coming season the outlook for Chicago is unusually bright. The old league officials are all retired. The soccer bodies of the city have united into one big organization, whose troubles, arrangements and management will be handled by special committees for the various purposes. There will be several divisions and a president for each. The officers of the head body for the first year will be: President, P. J. Peel; vice-president, J. Elmsley; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Cummings.

The Peel Challenge Cup Commission is expected to emulate the "Progress Policy" of the other Chicago competitions and this it hopes to do by adopting rules, laws and regulations to govern the Commission. These rules, etc., will

provide for the annual election of the Commission by the clubs, a direct representation of clubs at the disbursing of the funds, and will probably include a "deed of gift" for the trophy cup. Up to the present it is not quite definite whether or not the commission is elected and the only rules in existence govern the competition only. The result of the Peel Challenge Cup Competition for 1914-15 was as follows:

First round—Hyde Park Blues 3, Joliet 3; Western Electric 1, Chicago Swedish 0; B. & M. 3, Washington Heights 0; Slavia 3, Hibernians 1; McDuff 5, Mason Park 1; Lincoln Park 3, Campbell Rovers 1; Joliet (replay) 2, Hyde Park Blues 1.

Second round—Joliet 5, Lincoln Park 2; McDuff 2, B. & M. 2; McDuff 1, B. & M. 4; Calumet 2, Western Electric 3; Slavia 1, Pullman 4.

Semi-final round—Pullman 7, Western Electric 2; Joliet 3, B. & M. 2.

Final round—Pullman 5, Joliet 2.

CHICAGO AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

BY PETER J. PEEL, CHICAGO, ILL.

Officers—President, Peter J. Peel; vice-president, John Elmsley; secretary-treasurer, William R. Cummings; honorary presidents, William Hale Thompson, Mayor of Chicago; James A. Pugh, William Cameron, Peter Shaughnessy.

With the formation of the Chicago and District Association Football League, soccer is on a more solid footing than ever. Every sport has had a small beginning, but there comes a time when a central governing body is an absolute necessity, and the fact that soccer has reached this stage in and around Chicago is sufficient proof of its growth.

Including the clubs of the Association Football League of Chicago, the Chicago Soccer League and other clubs at present unaffiliated, there are fifty clubs. The teams in the South Parks system number close to twenty, while the Cook County High School League and the Suburban High School League have had twelve teams in competition, and with the addition of a bantam weight class this season, there will be at least six more. These, with a number of unattached clubs, bring the total close to one hundred. Making a moderate estimate of thirty players to each club, it means a total of three thousand soccer players in Chicago alone.

It is the rapid growth of the last few years and the fact that the sport, which at one time was essentially British, is now being taken hold of by young America, that warrants its future. Another evidence of its lasting character, is the formation of two teams composed of high school graduates, which will take the field this season. These men like the game and propose to continue their activities. Then, again, the soccer graduates from the high schools are going to the Universities of Chicago, Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan. All of these institutions have had soccer teams, but the majority of the players were quite new to the game and the soccer they played was far from being the real article. With the boys coming in who already have had three years of experience, the play assuredly will be more scientific, and there seems no doubt that in the course of a year or two, the Western universities will have a league similar to that in the East, where Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Haverford, Princeton and Cornell have for a number of years competed for a championship.

Another strong feature of the Chicago district is the different nationalities competing. In the two local leagues there are Danish, Swedish, Norwegian, Slav, English, Irish, German, Scotch and Welsh teams, while quite recently the Magyar team of the Hungarian Athletic Association made application for admission to one of the local leagues.

Unattached institutions, such as Elmhurst College and McCormick Theological Seminary, have played the game for several seasons, the greatest drawback being the lack of teams of a similar character to play against. With the spread of the game to other schools this handicap will be overcome.

SOCCER IN CHICAGO'S SMALL PARKS.

BY W. R. CUMMINGS, CHICAGO, ILL.

Perhaps no greater advancement has been made in soccer than is apparent in the park systems in Chicago and vicinity, where numerous boys and young men, ranging in age from seven to twenty-one years, have developed a thorough and complete knowledge in every department of the game. These young boys' capabilities have been clearly manifested and acknowledged and many of the older boys have already been invited to compete for senior soccer clubs in the city.

SOUTH PARK COMMISSIONERS ORGANIZE SOCCER LEAGUES.

In the fall of 1911 the South Park System inaugurated the 110-lb. Soccer League for grammar school boys, and the competition was entered by Fuller, Ogden, Hamilton, Bessemer, Russell Square, Sherman and Palmer Parks, The Sherman and Palmer teams tied for first honors, losing but a single game, each defeating the other on their home grounds. In the play-off game, which took with it the 110-lb. championship shield and gold medals, Sherman was victorious two goals to one. This game was played on the Hyde Park Blues' grounds, just preceding the Peel Challenge Cup final played between Pullman and Hyde Park Blues. The championship shield and gold medals in this division were won by Palmer Park for the seasons 1912-13 and 1913-14, which team during the season 1912-13 established a junior soccer record by scoring a total of 66 goals with none against, or had an average of over 8 goals for each of 8 games played. Calumet Park, the present holders of the 110-lb. championship, won the medals in 1914-15.

90-LB. LEAGUE INAUGURATED.

In the fall of 1912 the "smallest" and greatest junior soccer league in the Middle West was instituted, consisting of small boys 90 lbs. in weight and under. These little fellows have uniformed teams and play a perfect game, having been favored with the careful instruction of several members of the senior organizations. They also keep their positions, while their tackling and blocking are pronounced marvelous and the subject of great and worthy comment. Four teams were entered in this league, viz: Palmer, Ogden, Bessemer and Sherman Parks. Palmer Park's 90-lb. team carried away the gold medals and championship shield for the successive seasons 1912-13 and 1913-14, releasing the championship to Calumet Park, which, under the direction of Officer Hennessey, have made very rapid progress in the game during the last fifteen months. Sherman Park played good football during the early part of the 1914-15 season and eliminated Palmer 1 goal to 0, but were defeated in the three-game championship series by Calumet Park, 2 games to 1.

125-LB. LEAGUE.

In the fall of 1912 the 125-lb. league was also organized, generally composed of working boys ranging in age from fourteen to twenty years. Bessemer, Palmer, Ogden, Armour Square, Sherman and Calumet Parks were represented. This league developed the greatest junior soccer team in the United States, viz.: the Palmer Park Juniors, who, under the leadership of Capt. R. Van Deutekom, have won the 125-lb. South Park championship and junior championship of Illinois each year for the successive seasons 1912-13, 1913-14 and 1914-15.

This team averages about 120 lbs., and after their league season have played games in about ten different cities in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. Several of the juniors have now passed the 125-lb. weight limit allowed in park competition and because of their general abilities and thorough knowledge of the game have been drafted by the Pullman and Calumet Clubs of the Chicago Association Football League of Chicago.

The following from the Chicago Tribune January 31, 1914, is reproduced:

Palmer Park soccer teams made a clean sweep in the three championships of the South Parks system. Fourteen teams competed. The best fight occurred in the 90-lb. division, in which Palmer Park defeated Bessemer Park in the final game and won by four points. The final standing as announced by Manager Herbert G. Reynolds, follows:

90-LB. CLASS.							
	Won.	Lost.	Points.		Won.	Lost.	Points.
Palmer Park ...	7	2	14	Russell Square..	4	4	8
Bessemer Park..	5	4	10	Calumet Park...	3	5	6
Sherman Park...	4	4	8	Fuller Park.....	2	6	4

110-LB. CLASS.							
	Won.	Lost.	Points.		Won.	Lost.	Points.
Palmer Park....	6	0	12	Bessemer Park..	2	4	4
Calumet Park...	4	2	8	Russell Square..	0	6	0

125-LB. CLASS.							
	Won.	Lost.	Points.		Won.	Lost.	Points.
Palmer Park....	6	0	12	Bessemer Park..	3	3	6
Ogden Park.....	3	3	6	Sherman Park...	0	6	0

P. J. PEEL SPORTSMEN'S MEDAL COMPETITION FOR SMALL PARKS.

During the week May 31 to June 6, 1915, in connection with the Sportsmen's Club of America carnival and after the Peel Challenge Cup final between Pullman and Joliet at the White City Stadium, before some 10,000 people, elimination contests were played in the 90- and 125-lb. park divisions.

Palmer Park easily won the gold medals and championship in each division, while Calumet Park took second in each division and the silver medals. Perhaps the most exciting and interesting contest was the 90-lb. final between the Calumet and Palmer teams. These small boys average about three feet in height, under 90 lbs. in weight and about ten years of age. They were all in uniform and played the game as it should be played, the forwards of both teams showing some very good combination and team work, while their backs cleared splendidly. Incidentally, it might be said that Benjamin Govier, Jr., son of Capt. Bennie Govier of the champion Pullmans, is a member of the winning Palmer Park club and his individual play enabled his team to defeat Calumet in the final, 4 goals to 0.

The record of the South Park champions, seasons 1911 to 1915, inclusive, is as follows:

	90-lb.	110-lb.	125-lb.
Season 1911-12 .....	.....	Sherman	.....
Season 1912-13	Palmer	Palmer	Palmer
Season 1913-14	Palmer	Palmer	Palmer
Season 1914-15	Calumet	Calumet	Palmer

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER IN CHICAGO.

BY ARCHIBALD PATTERSON.

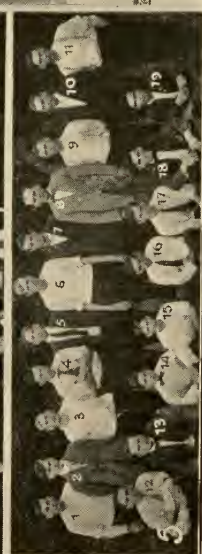
The growth of soccer football in the high schools of Chicago has been phenomenal. In 1908 one school, Englewood High, started the game, picking up opponents wherever it could find them. In 1915-16 there will be two high school leagues, with fourteen teams.

One of the main reasons for this rapid progress was the presentation of a silver shield by Mr. Peter J. Peel of Chicago. This trophy is emblematic of the Cook County High School soccer championship. It was presented in 1911 and has been won twice by Englewood, and once by Lane and Oak Park. The present holder and champions of Cook County is Englewood High School.

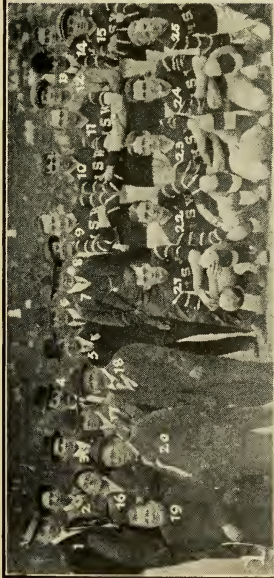


1, Blockwood, Donora; 2, King, Donora; 3, Sickles, Manown; 4, Prentice, Gallatin; 5, Anderson, Curry; 6, Rossini, Dunlevy; 7, Smith, Roscoe; 8, Hickey, Castle Shannon; 9, Malarkey, Gallatin; 10, Little, Donora; 11, Wallace, Gallatin; 12, Boyle, Curry; 13, Rucroft, Dunlevy; 14, Rutherford, Roscoe; 15, McPherson, Castle Shannon.

PITTSBURGH (PA.) PRESS SOCCER LEAGUE PLAYERS AND TROPHY.



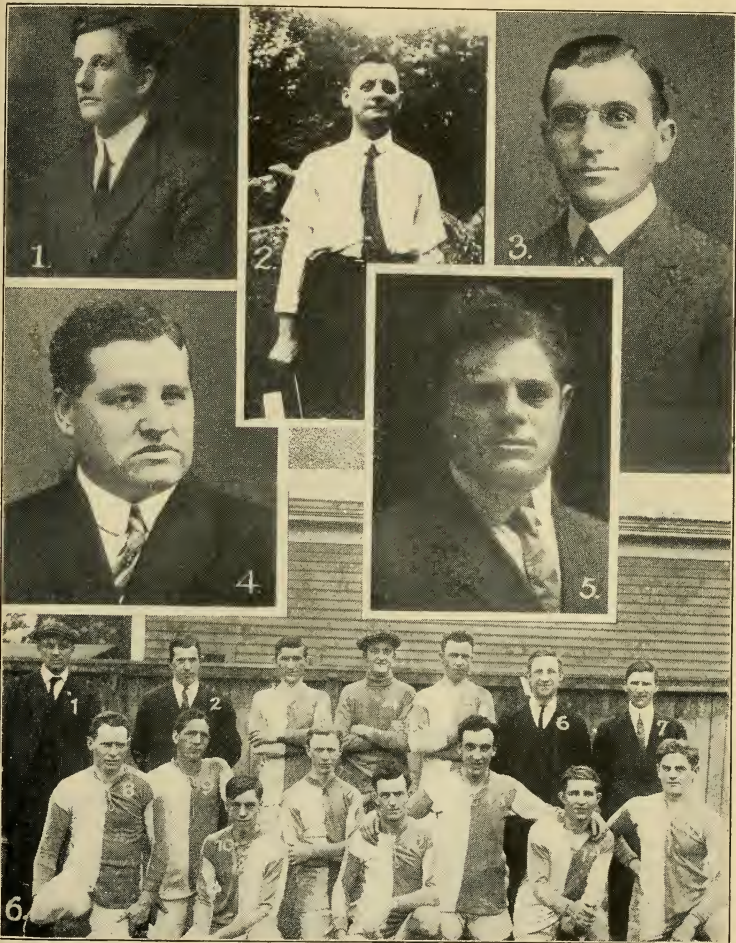
(1) GALLATIN (PA.) FOOTBALL TEAM—Winners Monongahela Division, Pittsburgh Press Soccer League. (2) PITTSBURGH PRESS SOCCER LEAGUE ALL-STARS—Champions Western Pennsylvania—1, Haddock, Sec.-Treas.; 2, Little, Linesman; 3, Rossini; 4, Anderson; 5, Boyle; 6, King; 7, Davidson, Referee; 8, McCann; 9, Whyte; 10, Jones; 11, Rucroft; 12, Malarkey; 13, Hickey; 14, Brannigan; 15, Blackwood. (3) CASTLE SHANNON (P.A.) FOOTBALL TEAM—Winners Central Division Pittsburgh Press Soccer League. (4) CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL TEAM, PITTSBURGH, PA. (5) DUNLEVY FOOTBALL CLUB, PITTSBURGH, PA.—1, T. Crowl; 2, R. Courtley; 3, W. Courtley; 4, W. Barrass; 5, A. Dooley; 6, Kroft; 7, Rossini; 8, R. Crowl; 9, Haywood; 10, Fote; 11, R. Gray; 12, W. Dooley; 13, J. Barrass, Mgr.; 14, Corliff; 15, M. Hall; 16, T. Gray; 17, P. Dooley; 18, W. Hall; 19, Bennett. (6) DONORA (PA.) FOOTBALL TEAM.



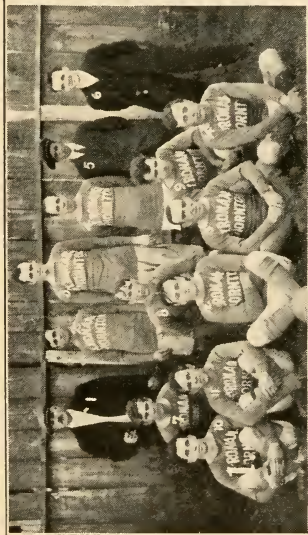
(1) HOMESTEAD (P.A.) FOOTBALL TEAM. (2) PITTSBURGH ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Orgill, Mgr.; 2, Halloran, Trainer; 3, Flynn, Trainer; 4, Farsons; 5, Sherrard; 6, Clements; 7, T. George; 8, E. George; 9, Wright; 10, Matchett; 11, Cox; 12, Kennedy; 13, Potts, Linesman; 14, Magill; 15, Longmore; 16, Megarry; 17, Hirst; 18, O'Donnell; 19, Brown, Asst. Mgr.; 20, McClurg, Sec. (3) BETHLEHEM (P.A.) RESERVE FOOTBALL CLUB—1, W. Stewart, Sec.; 2, Nagle; 3, Clark; 4, Wright; 5, Whitson; 6, Quibell; 7, Britt; 8, Cassidy; 9, Lewis; 10, Crawford; 11, Gallagher; 12, Camotetti; 13, Wotherspoon; 14, Summerbell, Capt. (4) ALLENTOWN (P.A.) X. M. C. A.—I, H. W. Eividge, Sec.; 2, H. E. Hersh, Mgr.; 3, Kramer, Trainer; 4, Kuhns; 5, Harrison; 6, Stewart; 7, Chubbuck; 8, Black; 9, Lannard; 10, Morgan; 11, Lawlor; 12, Spice; 13, Kerr; 14, Hill, Capt.; 15, Hubbard; 16, Sherriff.



(1) ROSCOE (P.A.) TEAM—1, Pearson; 2, A. Rutherford; 3, Achenclose; 4, Underwood; 5, J. Rutherford; 6, Dickson; 7, Peach; 8, O'Leary; 9, J. Smith; 10, T. Smith; 11, E. Underwood. (2) BURNS FOOTBALL CLUB, JUNIATA, PA.—1, Reid; 2, Moodie; 3, Johnstone; 4, Sidebottom; 5, Perry; Capt.; 6, Matolay; 7, Pacey; 8, Wood; 9, Marsh; 10, Simm; 11, T. R. Davidson, Mgr.; 12, Douglas, Trainer; 13, R. Kevis; 14, Liston; 15, Smith; 16, Jones; 17, C. Kevis; 18, Watson; 19, Peake; 20, Edmondson. (3) MANTOWN (P.A.) TEAM—1, Crompton, Sec.; 2, Richardson; 3, Davis; 4, Leitchbeter; 5, Harris; 6, J. Sickles; 7, Ventilena; 8, Sims, Capt.; 9, Sickles; 10, Brogi; 11, Hunter; 12, Secrist; 13, Turri. (4) STRUTHERS (OHIO) ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB. (5) UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB, CLARKSBURG, W. VA.—1, J. Shakespeare, Sec.; 2, Leimlette; 3, Longmore; 4, Heppburn; 5, Wadsworth, Capt.; 6, Alvarez; 7, Heres; 8, W. Shakespeare, Mgr.; 9, Parks; 10, Martinez; 11, Griffin; 12, Gonzalez; 13, Garcia.



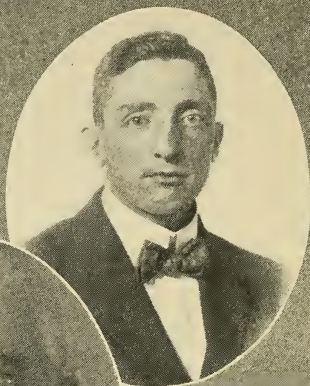
1, Wm. D. Love, Pawtucket, R. I., Third Vice-President United States Football Association. 2, D. Bolton, Greystone, R. I., Vice-President Southern New England Football Association. 3, Thomas Taylor, Providence, R. I., President Rhode Island League. 4, George Ritchie, Providence, R. I., Honorary Secretary Southern New England Football Association. 5, John Goosetrey, Crompton, R. I. 6, New Bedford (Mass.) Football Club, Champions Southern New England Soccer League—1, Preston; 2, Pomfret; 3, Greer; 4, Haworth; 5, Baines; 6, Klemm; 7, Smith; 8, Swords; 9, Stewart; 10, Wilson; 11, Beardsworth, Capt.; 12, Norse; 13, Kelly; 14, Parker; 15, Shaw.



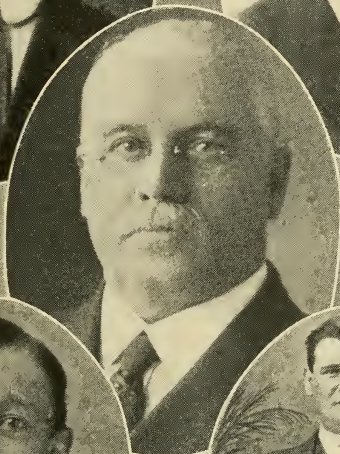
(1) ST. RONAN'S FOOTBALL CLUB, THORNTON, R. I.—1, W. Atchison, Pres.; 2, Jordan; 3, D. MacFarlane; 4, Creech; 5, Morley, Trainer; 6, W. Murray, Mgr.; 7, Wade; 8, Jones; 9, Tomlinson; 10, Donaldson; 11, Dunmore; 12, J. MacFarlane; 13, Maneley; 14, Reynolds. (2) GROMPTON (R. I.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Musk, Trainer; 2, Tomlinson; 3, Swanson; 4, J. Daley, Mgr.; 5, Greaniger; 6, Hiffe; 7, Osterlund; 8, McCrea; 9, Clayton, Capt.; 10, Savage; 11, Hawksley; 12, Pooie; 13, Fallows; 14, Cullerton. (3) GREYSTONE (R. I.) A. C. TEAM. (4) ASHTON (R. I.) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Wood, Trainer; 2, D. Shea, Pres.; 3, Ryan; 4, Quinbien; 5, E. Pickersgill; 6, Hunter; 7, W. Stringfellow; 8, A. Hall, Mgr.; 9, Cockshutt; 10, F. Pickersgill; 11, Bradley; 12, Blackwood; 13, Sullivan; 14, Jones; 15, Williams; 16, Slater.



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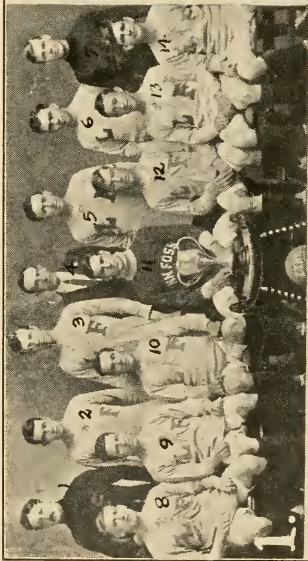


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1, Geo. M. Collins, Secretary North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Soccer Association, Seasons 1914-16. 2, James E. Scholefield, Methuen, Mass., President North Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Soccer Association. 3, C. C. Murphy, Jr., Fall River, Mass.; known as the "Grand Old Man of Soccer"; Organizer and Manager of the famous Pan-American Football Club of Fall River, Mass. 4, Lawrence L. Holden, President Fall River (Mass.) Rovers; a gentleman who has given his time and his money to advance the game in his locality. 5, Geo. H. Burford, Brockton, Mass.



(1) LYNN FOSSE TEAM, LYNN, MASS.—1, Keyser; 2, Green; 3, Jackson; 4, Geo. Wilson, Mgr.; 5, Reld; 6, Cundy; 7, Lakin; 8, Spooner; 9, Haines; 10, Wright; 11, Dunn; 12, Irvine; 13, Fletcher; 14, Butterworth, Capt. (2) FARR ALPACA TEAM, HOLYOKE, MASS. (3) NORWEGIAN A. C. ODDS TEAM, BOSTON, MASS.—1, Hellined; 2, Welley; 3, Samsing; 4, Hansen; 5, Schylander; 6, Paulsen; 7, Aaleuid; 8, Clafstad; 9, Hange; 10, Andersson; 11, Petersen. (4) YOUNG MEN'S CATHOLIC TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY FOOTBALL CLUB, NEW BEDFORD, MASS.—1, McDavitt; 2, Christie; 3, O'Toole; 4, Parkinson; 5, Dixon; 6, Hodson; 7, Holden; 8, Taylor; 9, McAuliffe; 10, Sullivan; 11, Christie; 12, Duffy, Mascot.

In 1914 additional interest was given to the championship series through the generosity of Mr. A. H. Loeb, who presented twelve handsome silver medals to the winners of the competition, and the unlimited enthusiasm for soccer displayed by high school students ensure a big future for the game in the city of Chicago.

BEN GOVIER, CAPTAIN PULLMAN FOOTBALL CLUB.

BY JOE DAVIS, CHICAGO, ILL.

No finer tribute to the popularity of a soccer player has ever been paid in this country than the silver statue of himself, presented by Mr. Peter J. Peel to Captain Ben Govier of the Pullman Club at the final match for the Peel Cup, played at Chicago, May 30, before the largest crowd in the history of the game in the West. It marked the close of twenty-four years of active service on the part of Mr. Govier on this side of the water, and during this period, in which he engaged in scores of hard-fought matches, Ben never made an enemy. It was this sterling record that led Mr. Peel to present him with the trophy as an appreciation of his high character as a sportsman and his services to the game. Incidentally the award was a tribute also to the type of sportsman the veteran represents. The statue is the work of Charles Mulligan, of the Art Institute of Chicago, and is considered by art critics to be a striking representation of the veteran.

Ben Govier was born of English parents January 11, 1876, at Coatbridge, Scotland. The family moved to Hallside, Newton, when Ben was three years of age, and he went to the public school, playing as a boy with the Hallside Athletics, which team played matches at Cambuslang, Rutherglen, Blantyre and Uddington.

Coming to the United States in 1891, Govier played his first game with the Pullman team against Detroit, and although only fifteen years of age, displayed great promise. Later he joined the Thistles and, with Dick Jarrett, formed one of the greatest left wings the West has had. In 1895 Ben went to St. Louis and for two years was with the St. Louis Cycling Club, which won the championship.

Coming back to Chicago he captained the Chicago team in the league formed by Charles Comiskey and other base ball men in Milwaukee, St. Louis and Detroit. Chicago twice defeated Milwaukee, but owing to weakness in the other cities the league was disbanded. Next he played with Pullman, which won the Jackson Cup and the Peel Pennant, holding them for several seasons.

Govier also acted as captain of the Chicago club, a picked team which played several inter-city matches, and which defeated the first Pilgrim team which came over from England. Then he joined the Wanderers and the next year was with Woodlawn, who won the league and Spalding trophies. The following year he was with the Buxton Red Sox and then went back to the Pullman team, which now has won the championship of the Association Football League of Chicago and the Peter J. Peel Trophy four years in succession.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN CLEVELAND AND DISTRICT.

BY JAS. B. SMITH.

Secretary Ohio State Football Association, Cleveland, Ohio.

While the quality of soccer football in Cleveland and district is yearly improving, the financial end is almost stationary. There are various reasons for this, one being that in Ohio a charge for Sunday football cannot be made. The Cleveland club deserves praise for their enterprise in getting and equipping a ground at Newburgh Heights which is second to none in the country. The only pity is that they are not better supported by the football public who could surely go to a private ground which is not much

further away than some of our city parks. Another reason is, some of the managers of teams were dissatisfied because they were not getting an equal share of the gate receipts with the team which had the energy and ambition to build the park and they endeavored—and partly succeeded—in boycotting the games played at this park. If soccer football is ever to attain to any prominence in this district the managing body will have to weed out these undesirables for the good of the game.

Our teams made a good showing in the National Challenge Cup series, the Thistles reaching the third round. The best game of the National Cup series was between Cleveland and Thistle, due almost entirely to the splendid way in which Referee Stark of Detroit handled the contest. His decisions were given with a promptness which delighted the spectators and clearly proved that good referees will do as much to advance the game as star players.

We played four inter-city games during the season, winning three and losing one. We defeated Chicago at Cleveland and also at Chicago, the score on both occasions being the same, 2 to 1. We also defeated Erie at Cleveland by 9 goals to 1. The only game we lost was at Detroit, by the close score of 1 to 0, Detroit scoring in the last minute of play. Our players are surely keeping up the good name of Cleveland in the soccer world and, given the proper support to which they are entitled, there is no honor they could not attain, and the championship of the U. S. F. A. is one of the honors which one day in the near future will come to Cleveland, the "Sixth City."

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN OHIO.

By A. FRANK COUNTS, M.A., LL.B.,

President Ohio State Football Association, President Cleveland Association Football League.

CLEVELAND LEAGUE STANDING.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Cleveland	16	14	1	1	43	11	29
Lorain	16	11	3	2	38	14	24
Thistles	16	8	4	4	29	23	20
Forest City.....	16	8	5	3	36	14	19
Akron	16	8	6	2	26	27	18
Woodland Rovers	16	4	8	4	16	28	12
Shamrocks	16	3	8	5	26	37	11
Britannias	16	2	10	4	14	38	8
Monas	16	..	13	3	18	54	3

Cup matches do not count in the standing. A victory counts two points, a draw one and a defeat nothing.

Cup Competition Finals—Bowler: Cleveland 3, Lorain 1. Labor: Lorain 3, Cleveland 1.

The general interest in soccer in Ohio during the past season has been closely allied and intertwined with the competition in the Cleveland League. For several years it has been the premier organization in the Buckeye State and as such has been the guiding star for the sport within the confines of the commonwealth. The past year, however, has seen certain developments in the game that have brought the Cleveland League into the spot light more than in any previous twelve-month.

The most important move made in the game's great checkerboard in this region was the organization of a State association. This came about through the initiative taken by officers of the Cleveland League. It was entirely due to their efforts that the scheme was fostered, petted and finally brought to light with a momentum sufficiently great to land a new organization on a working basis at the very first meeting of representatives. A good constitution, by-laws and roster of willing officials were a part of the results of that meeting.

The Cleveland League then wisely and graciously permitted the new organi-

zation to supplant it in the United States Football Association, so that the State organization was able to make its bow to the national body on equal terms with all other affiliated bodies in a very short time. Of course, the Cleveland League at the same time became one of the important cogs in the State association machinery.

The example the Cleveland League set in this matter was one that is not often seen in sport circles in this country. It willingly gave up all the prestige it had formerly enjoyed when its direct representative had occupied a seat with the mighty. That was not all. It also permitted the donor of one of its handsomest trophies, the Abel Shield, to withdraw it from competition in the Cleveland League and to in turn give it to the State association for a championship trophy. The first competition for this title and the shield will start about the time the Spalding Annual goes to press.

The action of the Cleveland League has been a great boon to the game in the State and bids fair to be the standard of sportsmanship in Ohio for a long time to come.

In consequence of the war the various teams have lost numerous men and in most instances the clubs have not been able to recuperate either in strength or numbers. Some of the teams in the smaller towns have been compelled to be content with no outside contests, while teams in some of the leagues have been compelled to disband and the leagues are not in as good condition as a year ago. This is true also as to the club finances, in most cases.

The real test will come during the season that is about to open. The State championship trophy competition will develop the full strength in the State, and it can at that time be determined the exact effects of the inroads made by the European conflict. It is to be hoped that the actual results have been less disastrous than the pre-season survey would seem to indicate.

The Cleveland League itself developed a strenuous race last season. The league table does not indicate the really great race that five of the clubs waged for first place. The column indicating the points each team had acquired by the end of the season cannot at the same time tell the matches that were determined in the last few minutes of play nor the games that were won by a single goal. Some light is gleaned, however, by a glance at the number of drawn games. It was a great season from every angle.

The entry of three of the elevens of the Cleveland League in the National Cup competition was in itself an event of no small importance. Not one of the teams made as good a showing in the rounds of this great event as was expected. On the basis of the play developed earlier in the year the followers of the sport had a right to expect a little more than any of the teams was able to give. The Thistles lasted longest and might have accomplished a little more perhaps with a little more efficient management and a little less over-confidence.

On the whole the Cleavelands developed the best game during the year. This eleven could be counted upon for the greater consistency. The offense and defense both maintained a standard that was a little superior to that of any other team in the Sixth City organization and deserved to win the league championship. This team, too, took the Bowler cup final from Lorain, while the latter club turned the tables in the Labor cup final.

The Lorain team was runner-up in the league because of the enthusiasm and hard work that was prevalent at all times within the ranks of the Steel City organization. Man for man this eleven was no better than the Thistles, Forest City or Akron, but it has had just something that made it the best team of those mentioned. It was this "something," which on the ball field is popularly known as "ginger," that put the team in the two cup finals.

The Thistles, Forest City and Akron teams played good ball throughout the year and finished in the order named. The Woodland Rovers spent the whole year in reorganizing and did not really accomplish the feat until the very last contest. At that time it had acquired an eleven almost the equal of the strongest in the league and is now on its way through the league schedule in a way that bodes ill for all that get in its way.

The Lorain team was hard hit by the war, as was the Monas, and both are

now temporarily out of the league. The Shamrocks are also passé. The eleven's manager, E. O'Day, was given a five-year suspension from organized football last spring and the team was disbanded. Most of the players found berths with other teams.

SOCGER IN MICHIGAN.

BY GEORGE HEALY,

President Michigan State Soccer Association, Detroit, Mich.

Soccer football in Michigan feels the impetus and is deriving some of the benefits of being in a national organization. Today our players and spectators realize that the game is not any more a local one, but one of national scope. Formerly, before the inception of the United States Football Association, we knew very little about actual soccer conditions in any other city or State than our own, the result of which was we were going ahead with our own local boosting, without any idea of what, if any, real benefit we were doing for the game. The game in Michigan started, as I suppose it did in other States, through a number of old country boys getting together. Their inbred love of the game soon started them kicking a ball around. Later they formed into "sides" and from sides to teams. Then, in Detroit, through the efforts of Mr. Harry Roiser, who deserves a lot of credit for what must have been a discouraging task, the Detroit and District League was formed. I am doubtful if we can ever realize the amount of work and time that Mr. Roiser spent while he was active in soccer circles, but I can realize how much criticism he did receive from those who were not devoting any time to the promoting of the game, but were really hurting it, though my experience teaches me that these critics do it without thought, not realizing that this unthinking criticism is not good for the best interests of the game.

After a few seasons of this league a new league was organized, named the Michigan State Soccer League, which was started in competition to the old one because of internal trouble which had unavoidably arisen. This league is still running and is divided into two divisions, first and second, and run on the principle of the English leagues. Credit for its formation is due to Messrs. R. Bone, G. O'Keefe, W. Darnis and H. Baiter, who, by what they did and are doing for the game, also deserve much credit.

We feel very proud of the fact in Michigan that we are charter members of the U. S. F. A. and that it was our delegate, Mr. E. L. Mockler, who moved the resolution making the national body an actuality instead of merely a project and that we thus helped form the U. S. F. A. It was with the advice and aid of the U. S. F. A. we formed the Michigan State Association, whose purpose is to govern soccer in our State and to promote the game. At the first meeting, over which I had the honor to preside, three leagues and twenty clubs were represented. The officers elected at that meeting were as follows: J. W. Cant, secretary; A. Leishman, treasurer; R. Jackson, Jr., vice-president, and myself president. Today the officers are the same, with the exception of R. Jackson, who has been succeeded by H. Elliott. In order to finance this Association a cup competition was started, from which nearly all its revenues are derived. This competition has not only established us financially, but has supplied a long felt want and was and is now a success. We are properly proud of our Association, not merely for what we are succeeding in doing in our own State, but because we have been able to aid the starting of two other State associations. Fortunately, or unfortunately, whichever way one looks at it, in Michigan we have not had any wealthy backing, and all the success that has been attained by our clubs, is due to the players and followers, and now each year the "gates" are getting better. Most of the clubs are now supported by that source of revenue, where formerly each and every member had to bear part of the expense. Our Association today has leagues and clubs all over Michigan. We have made special efforts in promoting school soccer, and have grade school leagues in Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids. In Detroit, with the co-operation of Miss Perrine,

Superintendent of Athletics, and Mr. N. Pearl, her assistant, soccer has been placed as a compulsory sport in grade schools and with that lady's enthusiasm and work for the game we have succeeded in having eighty schools in Detroit play and finish a schedule. We divided them into ten Leagues, of eight schools to a league. After the Leagues winners were determined, a cup competition was run amongst the winners of each league and Williams School succeeded in winning the school championship and the cup, presented by Dr. E. J. Kendall. Prizes were presented by this association to each of the ten league winners. This, I think, is a record for school soccer anywhere in its first season, and when it is considered that but very few of the boys had ever seen a soccer ball or game before, is a record of which to be proud. This was successful only because of the efforts of Miss Perrine and Mr. Pearl and those players and referees who responded to our appeal to coach the schools and referee the games.

Our colleges and high schools have adopted the game and are developing into fairly fast teams. This Association has only done one-half of one per cent. of what it has set itself to do. To Mr. J. W. Cant, our secretary, is due a large share of the credit for the success which this Association has attained.

In the National Challenge Cup Competition our teams have only met with moderate success. Personally, I feel the time is not far distant when Michigan will produce the winner of that splendid trophy that carries with it the championship of the United States.

Only one inter-city match was played last season, between Detroit and Cleveland. Detroit won by 1 to 0, but we have arranged for several for the coming season. The final for the Michigan Cup was played between Caleys and All-Scots, which ended in a win for the Caleys by 3 to 1. I have not received a full report of most of our leagues up to date, so am unable to give the tables.

Some excellent games have been played in connection with the league, and these have helped to boost the game. In conclusion, I would like to say that one of the principal factors towards the success of the game is having competent referees. We have a Referees' Association here, whose aim has been to supply our Association and leagues with such men, but it is to be regretted that all referees in our State are not members of this Referees' Association. Apparently they have not been able to get together, but I am sure, now that a National Referees' body is formed, those outside our local association will get in and work in harmony for the betterment of referees and the game in general. The final standing follows :

FIRST DIVISION.

Games. Won. Lost. Drawn. For. Against. Points.

Bulck Thistle	12	8	1	3	27	17	*19
Packards	12	8	1	3	21	8	*19
All-Scots	12	5	3	4	20	17	14
Caledonia	12	6	5	1	22	19	13
St. George	12	5	5	2	19	18	12
Nationals	12	3	6	3	15	21	9
Thistle	12	0	12	0	10	34	0

* Packards and Buicks tied in First Division; on play-off the first game was a tie, 1 to 1; the second game was won by Buicks, 3 to 2.

SECOND DIVISION.

Rovers	16	14	2	0	42	8	28
Pontiac A. C.....	16	13	2	1	34	18	27
Detroit	16	10	6	0	53	19	20
Imperials	16	9	6	1	31	21	19
Roses	16	9	6	1	39	40	19
Celtic	16	7	9	0	23	28	14
Wyandotte	16	2	12	2	13	41	6
Wolverines	16	2	12	2	20	50	6
Solvay A. C.....	16	2	13	1	10	45	5

Rovers and Pontiac go to First Division; Thistle drops to Second.

SOUTHERN MICHIGAN SOCCER LEAGUE.

Officers—President, Chas. C. Pickford, Jackson, Mich.; vice-president, A. Connah, Lansing, Mich.; secretary and treasurer, F. W. Denning, 315 North Prairie avenue, Kalamazoo, Mich.

The Southern Michigan Soccer League was reorganized in February, 1915, at a meeting held at Battle Creek, Mich., and Chas. C. Pickford, well known in soccer circles in New York city because of his activities there before removing to Michigan, was elected president for the spring season. A. Connah of Lansing was elected vice-president, and F. W. Denning of Kalamazoo, secretary and treasurer. A new constitution and by-laws were drawn up and adopted and a spring schedule arranged between the three teams comprising the league, these being Lansing, Jackson and Kalamazoo. As a result some very exciting and enjoyable games were played, and the game became more popular in the southern part of Michigan than it had ever been before. Lansing, which previously had always been one of the best teams in the State, had all they could do to win the championship, as both the Jackson and "Kazoo" teams held them to a draw in their respective home games, but the Lansing boys showed the result of the constant training they had indulged in during the season. "Kazoo," by virtue of the double defeat of Jackson, secured second place in the league, while Jackson had to be content with last place, although on paper they had as good a team as the Kalamazoo boys, therefore the league is desirous of adding to its members, and any clubs within traveling radius of the teams now comprising the league, who are desirous of joining the league, should communicate with the secretary, Mr. F. W. Denning, 315 North Prairie avenue, Kalamazoo, Mich. One big drawback to the success of the league is the long distances which the clubs have to travel, as the distance from Jackson to Kalamazoo is approximately 78 miles, it speaks well for the enthusiasm of the clubs that they have done so well. The league standing is as follows:

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Lansing	4	2	0	2	11	3	6
Kalamazoo	4	2	1	1	12	10	5
Jackson	4	0	3	1	7	15	1

JACKSON SOCCER TEAM.

Member Southern Michigan Soccer League.

Officers—President, Albert Elcoate; vice-president, Albert Hirst; secretary and treasurer, R. B. Matthews; captain, C. C. Pickford; vice-captain, J. Midgley. Goal scorers—C. C. Pickford, 4; Herbert Blakebro, 2; Wilfred Halliwell, 1.

While the results obtained were not as good as expected, Jackson plainly showed that they have the nucleus of a good team and will without doubt be a strong factor in the league when the fall schedule of games is played. They were reinforced last season by the inclusion of some new members, namely, C. C. Pickford at inside left, former secretary of the Camerons and prominent in soccer circles in New York city; Ed Bathe, at full-back, Tom Millian in the halves, and Harry Bond in the forwards. They will be strengthened again the coming season by the fact that Duckworth has returned to the city, and prospects look exceedingly bright for the coming season. In passing, the good work of former President Gaukroger and R. B. Matthews, the present secretary, should not be overlooked, and it is hoped that the present executives will be able to carry the Jackson soccer team where it should be, which is the top of the league.

KALAMAZOO SOCCER TEAM.

Member Southern Michigan Soccer League.

Officers—President, Hon. Judge A. J. Mills; first vice-president, Noah Bryant; second vice-president, Hon. Frank Milham; secretary and treasurer, F. W. Denning; manager, S. Ward Kennedy.

The soccer team representing the Celery City accomplished a very fine performance by finishing within one point of top place in the Southern Michigan Soccer League the past season, and only for a bad start at Lansing in the first game they might have captured the championship. Very keen and exciting contests were played with both the Lansing and Jackson teams, and "Kazoo" has every reason to be proud of its showing. The principal factors in the success of the club were D. Hough and G. Ibbotson, full-backs, a very fine defense, and Caley and the Riley brothers in the forwards, who were a tower of strength on the attack. The club has an enterprising set of officials and one of the hardest workers is their genial secretary, F. W. Denning, who is also the secretary of the league, and it is undoubtedly due in no small measure to his efforts that the team made such an excellent showing.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY.

BY DAVID FRANCIS BARRETT, ST. LOUIS, MO.

ROBISON FIELD SOCCER LEAGUE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

First Series, Fall and Winter 1914-15.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Innisfail F. C.....	6	2	1	13	Teresa F. C.....	2	3	4	8
Columbus F. C.....	4	4	1	9	Manewal F. C.....	2	5	2	6

Second Series, Spring 1915.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Columbus F. C.....	4	0	1	9	Teresa F. C.....	1	3	1	3
Innisfail F. C.....	3	1	1	7	Manewal F. C.....	0	4	1	1

ST. LOUIS FEDERAL PARK SOCCER LEAGUE, SEASON 1914-15.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
St. Leo F. C.....	10	1	2	22	Columbian A. C. F. C.....	3	7	3	9
Ben Miller F. C.....	8	3	2	18	Compton Hills F. C.....	1	10	2	4

Peace reigns in soccerdom in St. Louis and vicinity and in 1915-16 the St. Louis Soccer League, the premier professional organization of the United States, will have the strongest and best balanced quartette of teams in its long and eventful history. They will be the Innisfairs and the Columbus Club teams of the Robison Field Soccer League and the St. Leos and the Ben Millers of the Federal Park Soccer League. In addition, these clubs will be further strengthened by the pick of the defunct Teresas, Athletics, Columbian Athletic Club and Compton Hills. Winton E. Barker, the man who has done so much to advance soccer in America, will be the president, which assures its future.

The sudden amalgamation of the two leagues was one of the distinct features of a season of unexpected happenings. Almost over night the two organizations got together, agreed on peace terms and arranged games to decide the championship of the West. And thus ended the two years' war they had waged on one another.

The post-season battles also were productive of a very great surprise, as the St. Leos, who for thirteen years swept all opposition aside and who never met defeat in a big championship battle, were defeated by the Innisfairs, score 4 to 2, after the teams had struggled through one heart breaking 2 to 2

tie. The final game was hard fought from whistle to whistle and will go down into history as one of the greatest games in the history of soccer in America. The St. Leos did not quit until the last kick had been made.

In justice to the St. Leos it must be said the team was unable to show its greatest strength in the deciding battle. It had a season-long fight to catch the Ben Millers, who secured a flying lead in the league competition, and the famed Blue and White were off their games in the crucial matches with the Irishmen.

However, one cannot deprive the Innisfails of the glory which is justly theirs. The team played grand football all season and showed the punch in the pinch. Their attack was terrific, while the defense was as stout as a stone wall in trying moments.

For years the Innisfails had been threatening to dethrone the St. Leos. In January, 1913, when the big split occurred, the St. Leos managed to beat the Innisfails by two points. The previous year the Innisfails carried the St. Leo's pace until the closing rounds, when the St. Leo's superior ability told and they pulled away from Foley's boys.

After parting with the St. Leos the Irishmen did not have things all their own way. Tipped to win the flag in easy fashion they were forced to give way before King Finnegan's speedy young Columbus Club in 1913-14 and ran second in the Robison Field competition. However, this setback proved the needed incentive, and in 1914-15 the Innisfails came back strong. Foley's boys hit their stride early, and when the Christmas holidays came had the championship sewed up. The Columbus Club ran second, the Teresa's third and the Manewals fourth.

In the Federal League the St. Leos won the flag, with the Ben Miller's second, Columbian Athletic Club third and Compton Hills fourth.

The Innisfails showed their greatest form in the holiday games, when they defeated the strong Hamilton (Ontario) and Toronto Professionals in easy style. At no stage did the Canadians have a chance. On the other hand the St. Leos were hard pressed to hold their own with the Hyde Park Blues and the Chicago All-Stars. In previous years the Windy City teams proved easy for the Blue and White Combination.

Among the amateur teams the past season there was some grand sport. The Christian Brothers' College team, which won the championship from the Leacocks, 4 to 2, before 15,000 people, is a remarkably strong young team, and in a few years will be able to hold their own with the Innisfails, St. Leos or any other semi-professional organization. It is the best young team since Tobe Burke's famed St. Teresas, who tied the St. Leos in a championship game a few seasons ago.

In the junior ranks the Christian Brothers and the directors of the parochial and public schools put in a great deal of time showing the boys how to play the game, and some great games were staged and some good players developed. These boys will be heard from in years to come.

In East St. Louis, Kevin Kane's Tashmoo Club, also known as the East St. Louis Blues, managed to nose out the Harry Libersteins after a hard fight. Inclement weather forced a curtailment of this season, otherwise the Jewelers might have won the championship. At the finish the Libersteins had the strongest team in the league.

Everything considered, the 1915-16 season should prove the greatest in the history of soccer in St. Louis and vicinity. All factions once more are working for the same end, the advancement of the game. Here's hoping there will be no more soccer wars in this vicinity. They do no one good. The players lost thousands of dollars, as did the promoters, while the public was forced to witness a poor class of play.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HAVE A CHAMPIONSHIP.

Not for years has St. Louis had a more popular soccer champion than the Christian Brothers' College team, which won the amateur championship of St. Louis and vicinity by defeating the Leacocks, 4 to 2, at Fairgrounds Oval before 15,000 soccer enthusiasts. This was the crowning feature of a most

remarkable season, the Purple and Gold lads simply overwhelming the teams in their division of the Municipal Leagues and defeating with ease their opponents in the qualifying, semi-final and final rounds of city championship play.

However, although the Purple and Gold embraced many remarkable young players, who possessed a world of admirers, it is safe to say that of the 15,000 soccer followers who witnessed the last game of the season the majority pulled for C. B. C. to win because they knew it always has been the ambition of the Brothers to possess a championship club, and because they knew soccer in St. Louis and vicinity owed the Christian Brothers a greater debt than to any other force. It was the only measure of reward the Brothers have had in years.

Christian Brothers' College campus is a splendid place for soccer and was the one place where the popular Scotch-English kicking sport found favor when all other places were closed to it. Brother Justin, the late lamented president of this institution of learning, was indeed the friend of soccer, and was never happier than when viewing a sturdy set of youngsters kicking the ball about the college campus. Brother Lawrence, the president now, and Brothers James, Austin, Matthew and others of this community of young men's teachers, were never too busy to devote part of their time to the advancement of the sport, and it always was their ambition to some day have a championship team. That this wish has been gratified we are happy to say.

ST. LOUIS MUNICIPAL SOCCER FOOTBALL SEASON, 1914-1915.

BY DAVID F. BARRETT, ST. LOUIS, MO.

STANDINGS OF LEAGUES.

C. B. C. LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Christian Bros. C.....	14	1	3	31	Trumbulls	6	10	2	14
K. of Father Mathew....	7	8	3	17	West End A. C.....	3	11	4	10

FOREST PARK DIVISION.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Columbian A. C.....	12	4	4	23	Hands A. C.....	3	11	3	9
Yawitz	10	7	3	23	Concordia	1	12	4	6

FAIRGROUNDS NO. 1.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Sonnenbergs	11	2	2	24	Claxtons	5	8	2	12
Palladiums	6	5	4	16	Libermans	3	10	2	8

FAIRGROUNDS NO. 2.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Leacocks	10	4	3	23	Bob Whites	4	8	5	13
St. Matthews	9	5	3	21	Aloes	3	9	5	11

FAIRGROUNDS NO. 3.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Banner Buggles	11	3	1	23	Donnellys	7	5	3	17
Rudolphs	7	5	3	17	Manhattans	1	13	1	3

CARONDELET DIVISION.

	W.	L.	D.	Pts.		W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Southern A. C.....	12	3	2	26	Eckhardts	6	8	3	15
Trumbulls No. 2.....	11	5	1	23	Boehls	1	14	2	4

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JUNIOR LEAGUE.

FAIRGROUNDS.

W. L. D. Pts.				W. L. D. Pts.					
Bob Whites	10	3	3	23	Famous-Barrs	4	9	3	11
St. Matthews	9	3	4	22	Holy Rosarys	3	11	2	8

FOREST PARK.

W. L. D. Pts.				W. L. D. Pts.					
Fox-McKnights	9	3	2	20	Hy-Tex	5	3	5	15
St. Roses	7	3	4	18	Max Bergs	0	12	1	1

In the elimination games for the city championship the results were as follows:

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Fox-McKnights 3, Bob White Juniors 1.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

First round—Leacocks 2, Columbia A. C. 1; C. B. C. 6, Southern A. C. 1; Banner Buggies 3, Sonnenbergs 1.

Second round—C. B. C. 4, Banner Buggies 1.

Third round—C. B. C 4, Leacocks 1.

The unceasing efforts of Park Commissioner Dwight F. Davis and his assistant, Rodowa Abeken, resulted in the St. Louis Municipal Soccer Leagues enjoying the greatest season of their history during the winter of 1914-15, despite the untoward weather conditions on many of the Sundays throughout the season. Games were played in three of the city parks, Fairgrounds, Forest and Carondelet, and in the first named three divisions held forth. In all twenty-four uniformed teams took part in the competition under the supervision of the Park Department of the city, as during the year the games at Christian Brothers' campus were under the management of the directors of the municipal leagues. In addition, there were two junior divisions, one at Fairgrounds and the other at Forest Park, making in all thirty-two teams in the municipal leagues.

The caliber of football was as good, if not better, than in any season past, and thousands of fans and fanettes turned out every Sunday to witness the sport. On fine Sundays it was common for upwards of 15,000 fans to congregate at the municipal leagues, and when the championship battles were on it was estimated that 20,000 saw the semi-final matches, while the final match between the Christian Brothers' College team and the Leacocks, winners of Division No. 2, at Fairgrounds, drew more than fifteen thousand. This game resulted in a 4 to 1 victory for the Brothers.

The Christian Brothers team, who thus won the amateur championship of the city and the Central West, was a crack young combination and had a most successful season. In their league competition they ran away with things and lost but one of the eighteen games played. This was to the Trumbulls and came at a time when the championship was cinched. They tied three games and won fourteen. When it came to playing the champion games to settle the city title the Purple and Gold showed at best. Under the leadership of Captain Quinn the boys put up a terrific attack and a whirlwind defense and smothered the Southern Athletic Club 6 to 1, the Banner Buggies 4 to 1, and the Leacocks 4 to 1, in the game which decided the championship. The goals in the final game were kicked by Quinn, Corrigan, Dunn and Hagen, while Hutchinson secured the lone goal for the Leacocks.

The Leacocks, who managed to get into the finals for the city title, won this right only after an uphill fight in Division No. 2 of the Fairgrounds Leagues. They deposed the St. Matthews as the league leaders on the very last day of the season, winning, 1 to 0, after a terrific battle. It was necessary to play extra time to decide this game. In the elimination series the Leacocks defeated the Columbian Athletic Club team 2 to 1, drew a bye and

lost to C. B. C. 4 to 1. They are a good young team and will be heard from in years to come.

The Columbian Athletic Club team had very little trouble winning the championship in the Forest Park League. Their principal opponents were the Yawitzs, but in the closing rounds the Tailors cracked under fire and the South Side boys pulled away from them, finishing the season with a margin of five points, or two and one-half games. However, in the city championships they went down in their first game, 2 to 1, the Leacocks being their conquerors.

The Sonnenbergs played consistent football and had no trouble winning the title in Division No. 1, at Fairgrounds. They had a four-game margin over the Palladiums, the second place team at the finish. In Division No. 3 a similar state of affairs existed, the Banner Buggies ending the season three games ahead of the Rudolphs.

The Southern Athletic Club of the Carondelet League was easily the class of that division, and by playing a hard game throughout the season finished first by a game and a half. The Trumbulls No. 2 came strong at the finish, but proved unequal to the task of catching the Southernns. In the city titles series the Southernns were unfortunate enough to draw C. B. C. the first round and were eliminated, 6 to 1.

Of all of the leagues the battle for the championship in the Fairgrounds Division No. 2 was by far the most interesting. In this league the St. Matthews, who won the city title in 1913-14, were the favorites to win and secured a long lead in the early part of the season. However, the Leacocks did not give up hopes and along about Christmas started to overhaul the Saints. Finally it came to the last games of the year and, thanks to some great football, the Leacocks defeated the Bob Whites, while the tallend Aloes sprang the surprise of the year by beating the St. Matthews. This placed the two teams on an equal basis and in the play-off the Leacocks won 1 to 0. It was a grand game and a fitting climax for a fine season.

The prospects of the Municipal Leagues for 1915-16 are of the brightest, and the indications are it will be the banner year for the league.

SOCCKER IN KANSAS CITY.

BY EDWARD CARTMELL, KANSAS CITY, MO.

INTERCITY SOCCER LEAGUE.

Officers—President, J. M. Morrow; vice-president, E. Nicholson; secretary and treasurer, Ed. Cartmell.

The outstanding feature of the season 1914-15 was the manner in which the Tigers came to the top and succeeded in capturing both the A. G. Spalding & Bros. and the Schmelzer trophies. In the Spalding competition they hold the best records ever made by a Kansas City team, winning eight games out of a possible nine, the remaining being a tie.

The British-Americans also picked up wonderfully the latter half of the season and give promise of becoming formidable competitors this season.

The Schmelzers did not make so good a showing as in previous years. They were unfortunate in losing several good men, among whom particularly was Davie Wilson, who was killed while fighting with the British forces in Northern France.

The standing of the clubs was as follows:

SPALDING TROPHY COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Tigers F. C.....	9	8	0	1	26	3	17
Schmelzer F. C.....	9	4	2	3	10	8	11
British-American F. C.....	9	2	6	1	5	23	5
Shamrock F. C.....	9	1	7	1	5	12	3

SCHMELZER TROPHY COMPETITION.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Tigers F. C.....	6	4	1	1	17	5	9
British-American F. C.....	6	3	2	1	5	5	7
Schmelzer F. C.....	5	2	1	2	7	8	6
Shamrock F. C.....	5	0	0	0	0	11	0

In President Morrow the league has a capable and efficient head, who has devoted considerable time to the welfare of the league, in which work he is ably supported by Vice-President Nicholson and the Executive Committee. However, if soccer football is ever to occupy its proper place on the playing fields of Kansas City, there must be more effective co-operation between the Executive Committee and the players themselves. So many players have the impression that the sole purpose of the committee is to provide money and material for their particular enjoyment. It is necessary that such players realize a corresponding sacrifice. It is expected of them, and instead of adopting a critical attitude they should contribute further to the support of the clubs with which they are associated. They should take an active interest in club meetings and the various social affairs which the league organizes from time to time.

MILWAUKEE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Affiliated with Wisconsin State Soccer Association.

By JOSEPH NAYLOR, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Officers—President, Dr. J. W. Frew, Milwaukee; first vice-president, R. Grant, Milwaukee; second vice-president, A. Robinson, Kenosha; secretary-treasurer, Joseph Naylor, Milwaukee.

FINAL STANDING OF THE CLUBS, SEASON 1914-15

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
MacWhytes F. C.....	10	9	0	1	29	5	19
Caledonian F. C.....	10	7	3	0	35	16	*12
Racine City F. C.....	10	5	5	0	17	18	*12
Jefferys F. C.....	10	5	4	1	27	21	11
Vikings F. C.....	10	2	8	0	11	34	4
St. George F. C.....	10	1	9	0	10	35	2

*Racine City F. C. received two points from Caledonian F. C. for playing ineligible players.

The Milwaukee and District Soccer League completed its third season in a most satisfactory manner, and clearly demonstrated that organized soccer is a fixture in Milwaukee and vicinity, as all the games were attended by large crowds, while the standard of play was fifty per cent. better than in previous seasons. For the second time in succession the MacWhytes F. C. lifted the league cup by a margin of seven points from their nearest rivals, the Caledonians. The latter club, however, was badly handicapped throughout the entire season, owing to the fact that several of their star players were on the hospital list at different times during the competition. It is doubtful if there is a soccer eleven in the Middle West that can defeat the champions in a series of games, as their main assets are speed and stamina, as well as a complete knowledge of the fine points of the game and their general reputation as gentlemanly athletes. The general meeting of the league was held at the Blatz Hotel, Milwaukee, June 5, and was the most successful gathering of its kind ever held in that city. From reports of delegates present, new clubs from all sections of Wisconsin will make application for membership in the 1915-16 league. It was decided to have a fall and spring series, owing to the inclement weather during the winter months, the fall competition to be devoted

to the league games, while the spring session will consist of interstate matches with Chicago and St. Louis elevens. After the meeting adjourned the league cup and medals were presented to the MacWhytes by Judge Karel of Milwaukee, who is an old-time footballer and a most enthusiastic supporter of soccer in that city. Through the efforts of the Milwaukee and District League, the Sunday school boys of Milwaukee have taken up soccer, as well as some of the public school boys, the league furnishing coaches and referees for them. This is missionary work on the part of our league members, and from the number of boys who are becoming interested in the game, we feel that our efforts are being appreciated. In view of all the above favorable conditions, I look to see the 1915-16 season the best and most successful in the history of the game, not only in Milwaukee but throughout the entire State of Wisconsin. The prosperous condition of soccer throughout the United States can be attributed solely to the governing soccer body of the game in this country, namely the United States Football Association.

COLORADO LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

BY W. T. MANLEY, DENVER, COLO.

The Colorado season opened in good fashion on Thanksgiving Day, 1914, when the Denver team defeated the Gordons, the previous year's cup holders, by the substantial margin of 4 goals to 0. The Gordons put up a good fight, their half back, Oliver, doing fine defensive work especially, but the Denver full backs, Heathcote and Allan, were very safe. Quite a feature of the game also was the fine forward play of Adam MacGregor, and at half-back Jenkinson shone. These last mentioned players a few months after were serving their country on the battle fields of Flanders, and it is to be regretted that at this time they are missing and wounded, respectively.

Nothing else of note took place until the beginning of the New Year. The Gordons, having decided to withdraw from the Colorado League, the newly inaugurated team of all English players, the Corinthians, stepped into the breach, opposing themselves to the Denver team in a series of games for the cup.

The first game, which was hotly contested, was won by the Corinthians, 4 goals to 3, although the Corinthians were 2 goals behind ten minutes from time, but, making a great combined effort, they equalized and scored the winning goal just before the final whistle blew.

In the second game of the series the Corinthians were not so fortunate, being defeated by 3 goals to 0. The cause of this large defeat was largely due to their not being at full strength, while the Denver team had the best eleven they could muster and played at the top of their form.

The third game was played with snow on the ground; it was contested with great vim and ended in a drawn battle, three goals all. This result necessitated another game, which was won by the Corinthians, 3 to 2.

The last game was perhaps the best of the series and placed the Corinthians in the position of cupholders for the season.

This series of games was admittedly the best played in Denver for many years, and the Corinthians' victory redounds greatly to their credit, as it was a case of dogged perseverance against apparently great odds. The success of this was in a great measure due to the untiring efforts of Oswald Heathcote, Walsh, Brady, Shorty Shepherd, Taylor and Gray, these two latter having only recently arrived from England. I must not omit to mention, however, that for the Denver team, the Allan Brothers, Adam Jack and Tom Chapman, all did splendid work.

Altogether the season was a most successful one and the series of games played created great interest among the fans. It is to be hoped it will prove to be a boost for the ensuing and future seasons.

UTAH SOCCER FOOTBALL UNION.

The Governing Soccer Organization in Utah. Affiliated with the U. S. F. A.

Officers.—President, Freeman Bassett; vice-president, William E. Day; secretary, Chas. Adamson; assistant secretary, Will E. Onions, Box 120a, Arthur, Garfield, Utah; treasurer, Wm. Onions. Hon. vice-presidents.—Wm. Service, Salt Lake City; Joseph E. Daynes, Salt Lake City; Dr. C. G. Plummer, Salt Lake City; A. B. Campbell, Eureka; John W. Guy, Provo; W. R. Jeffers, Park City; Dr. D. L. Barnard, Garfield.

Clubs.—Salt Lake Soccer Football Club, Arthur Football Club, Caledonian Football Club, Magna Football Club, Eureka Football Club, Salt Lake City Public Schools Junior Football Clubs.

Competitions.—Senior Daynes Cup in the spring; Junior Daynes Cup in the fall; Senior Class A Pennant League in the fall.

SOCCER FOOTBALL IN UTAH.

BY WILL E. ONIONS.

Although the game of "Soccer" football in Utah is not so extensive as perhaps is desired, yet, taking in consideration the adverse conditions incidental to such a new country, the class and form of the sport offered to the interested public is of a comparative high plane. The game, I think, has a firm hold here and the near future will no doubt see even an increased popularity.

The most important items in the 1914-15 programme were the Senior and Junior Daynes Cup Competitions, conducted by the Utah Soccer Football Union. Elsewhere will be found an account of the Juniors' activities. In the Senior competition three clubs entered, and a well arranged schedule was played, the results being appended. As is evident, the Caledonians won the high place, their team going through with a swing and dash worthy of all Scots, this making them holders of the cup for two successive seasons. The other teams competing displayed fine form and are to be complimented on their endeavors. The results:

Arthur 1, Caledonians 1; Arthur 0, Salt Lake 0; Caledonians 1, Salt Lake 3; Caledonians 6, Arthur 1; Salt Lake 1, Caledonians 3; Salt Lake 0, Arthur 1. Salt Lake defaulted, giving Arthur the game.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Caledonians F. C.....	4	2	1	1	11	6	5
Arthur F. C.....	4	*1	1	2	3	7	4
Salt Lake A. F. C.....	4	1	2	1	4	5	2

*Salt Lake vs. Arthur, Salt Lake defaulted.

SALT LAKE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SOCCER FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

BY HAL ANSELL.

The appointment of William E. Day, physical director of the Deseret Gymnasium, to the position of supervisor of grade school athletics in Salt Lake City, proved a boon to the soccer cause, as he is a great enthusiast. The previous year, all athletics in the grade schools had been abandoned, due to internal dissensions, but Mr. Day soon brought peace, and the first sport set on its feet by him last fall was soccer foot ball. On account of the disorganized condition of school athletics, it was some time before the competi-

tion was gotten under way, and then only time to play a tournament with a consolation set-to for the teams knocked out in the first round. After a short period of sporadic coaching by various senior soccer players, the first round was played with great enthusiasm on the part of both players and rooters, which waxed stronger with the teams that continued in the tournaments. The scores were close and quite a number of games had to be replayed because of numerous tie results, Jefferson and Whittier school teams having to battle four times before their argument was definitely settled. The boys greatly improved over previous years, devoting more attention to the passing features and avoiding to a great extent the kick-and-rush methods of the past. Training School carried off the tournament proper, while Forest won the consolation. Following is the competition in detail:

First round—Fremont 2, Franklin 1; Riverside 4, Bryant 0; Jefferson 4, Emerson 0; †East High 1, Forest 0; *Whittier 2, Ensign 0; Science 1, Longfellow 0; Lincoln 1, Hawthorne 0; Training 4, Wasatch 0; *Webster 1, Grant 0; Poplar Grove 2, Oquirrh 0; Jackson 4, Onequa 0; *Lowell 1, Hamilton 0. Byes—Bonneville, Irving, Sumner, Lafayette.

Second round—Bonneville 1, Irving 0; Riverside 2, Fremont 1; †Jefferson 1, East High 0; *Whittier 1, Science 0; Training 2, Lincoln 0; *Webster 1, Poplar Grove, 0; *Jackson 3, Lowell 0; Sumner 2, Lafayette 0.

Third round—Riverside 1, Bonneville 0 (default); †Whittier 1, Jefferson 0; Training 4, Webster 0; Jackson 4, Sumner 2.

Semi-final round—Riverside 1, Whittier 0; Training 1, Jackson 0.

Final round—*Training 1, Riverside 0.

Consolation Competition—Forest defeated Hamilton 1-0.

*After tie game. †After two ties and extra time. ‡After three ties and extra time.

BARBARIAN FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO.

Winners of California Football Association Cup, 1914-15.

Officers—President, F. Birdsall; chairman, T. Lace; manager, D. Stephenson; secretary, L. G. Munro; assistant secretary, A. McQuattie; trainer, W. Dick.

Executive Committee—J. Gibson, J. Murch, J. Duncan, T. Wood, J. Leeds.

This team is composed of players from the Union Iron Works Company of San Francisco, and went through the cup-tie competition, scoring 13 goals to 2. The club is in a very flourishing condition, and is ably handled by its officers.

The Barbarian Club is one of the strongest teams that ever played soccer in California, always having a majority of its players selected to play in international or representative games. Further successes on the part of the organization are confidently anticipated, and the members are always out for the advancement and advertisement of the great game of soccer.

SOCGER IN PORTLAND, ORE.

The stimulant occasioned the Association code, due to its adoption by the public and private schools, caused the directors of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club to once more enter a Multnomah side in local competition.

The committee in charge of the sport proceeded on the theory that the development of the code was of greater importance than the mere assembling of a powerful side, and it is satisfactory to record that their efforts have been as successful in this direction as in the results of actual play.

The club had at its disposal six seasoned players and it rounded out its eleven by including local school first team men. The effect of the inclusion of these players—one in every line—was soon obvious in the change of style of school soccer. The natural tendency towards speed at the expense of

all other features of the game was checked and there was a marked improvement in the cohesion between the halves and forwards.

In actual play Multnomah lost the first two games—probably because it had been found impossible to get the side together before the season opened—won the next ten consecutive ones and drew the last two, both with the State University.

The games with the University of Oregon were the first played by the 'Varsity under the soccer code and proved the most interesting fixtures of the season, though in both instances ground conditions were unfavorable.

Prospects for the coming season are uncertain, as all local clubs have contributed heavily of their experienced players to the British services, but it is hoped that younger men will fill the gaps caused by a great occasion. During the season Multnomah had the assistance of Messrs. Leonard, Duncan, Mackie, Pudget, Jacobburgher, Wright, Morris, Shay, Conley, Shevlin, Gray, Greer, Nixon and Mackensie.

John D. Dwyer managed the side, which was captained by Mr. Mackensie.

SOCCKER FOOTBALL IN THE TACOMA, WASHINGTON, PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BY RICHARD P. KELLY, SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL TRAINING.

With over sixty school and class teams in the field during the height of the season, and with the majority of the older grammar school boys playing the game regularly from September until late in January, and constantly improving in speed, staying power and technical knowledge of the game, the school-boy athletes of Tacoma have every reason to be satisfied with their progress during their second season with soccer football.

The game was first played in the Tacoma schools in 1913 and was quickly recognized by principals and players as a game specially suited to grammar school conditions, both because it gives an opportunity for fair competition between boys of all sizes, and because the continuous movement of the players throughout the game, undelayed by "line-up" and "signal-work" affords a maximum of real physical development of the kind most needed by growing boys who hope to excel either in high school athletics or in the competition of real life.

Over 40 teams were organized the first year and a number of really clever players developed, who were active in starting the game with a rush in the fall of 1914.

During the 1914-1915 season the policy which has had the hearty endorsement of the team captains from the beginning was followed, that of giving the greatest emphasis to the actual training of a large number of capable, sportsmanlike soccer players, and using interschool competition only to give zest to the season's work, and to give each of the strong teams of the city a chance to try out their combinations against the strongest possible competitors.

A long practice season, during which short but snappy intra-school games were played at all of the larger schools practically every afternoon, was followed by a brief series of official games, which closed with the selection of six "star" teams and two All-Tacoma teams comprising the best individual players of the city.

The selections were made by a committee of expert soccer players, who based their selections upon actual playing ability and sportsmanship, as shown from the beginning of the season. No championship trophy was awarded and no attempt made to pick a champion team for the city. The six "star" teams which shared equally in the season's honors were named by the committee as follows: Franklin, McKinley, Central, Sherman, Washington, and Willard.

The South End All-Tacoma team picked and coached by Jack McDougall and the North-End team picked and coached by Robert McDonald were made up as follows:



(1) PUBLIC SCHOOL 99—Winners Heavyweight Championship—1, Freyer; 2, Green; 3, Schmitt; 4, Schackert; 5, Newcomb; 6, Ruhl; 7, Gittings; 8, Bosley; 9, Garman; 10, Duvall; 11, Snyder. (2) PUBLIC SCHOOL 83—Winners City Championship—1, O'Hara; 2, Corbett; 3, Erlinger; 4, Pole; 5, Smith; 6, Mooney; 7, A. Donald; 8, Neun; 9, Filby; 10, J. Donald; 11, Clark; 12, Neis; 13, Belner. (3) PUBLIC SCHOOL 62—Winners Lightweight City Championship—1, Brown; 2, Dorrinda; 3, Paris; 4, Elmer; 5, Quick; 6, Carroll; 7, Degele; 8, Albert; 9, Baugher; 10, Stulman; 11, Ferguson. (4) PUBLIC SCHOOL 55—Winners Northern District Heavyweight Championship—1, Wagner; 2, K. George; 3, Ward; 4, Marks; 5, Benson; 6, King, Coach; 7, Frempt; 8, Stone; 9, Baxley; 10, Reighter; 11, M. George; 12, Keith; 13, Newman; 14, Hunter. (5) PUBLIC SCHOOL 58—Winners Northern District Lightweight Championship—1, L. Ford; 2, Anderson; 3, W. O. Van Horn, Principal; 4, Garber; 5, R. Ford; 6, R. Ford; 7, Schaeffer; 8, Dunkle; 9, Tydings; 10, Thompson; 11, Eaton; 12, Mason; 13, Steffy; 14, E. Ford; 15, Lee. (6) PUBLIC SCHOOL 85—Winners Northeastern District Middleweight Championship—1, McQuay; 2, Schroeder; 3, Gardner; 4, Thon; 5, Kesting; 6, Rogers; 7, Rose; 8, Vomisek; 9, Long; 10, Haslup; 11, Davidson; 12, Riordan. (7) PUBLIC SCHOOL 99—Winners Northeastern District Lightweight Championship—1, Henderson; 2, Boylin; 3, Koetting; 4, Brantigan; 5, Bosley; 6, Bailone; 7, McCabe; 8, Dieter; 9, Harrison; 10, Streb; 11, Bauers; 12, McGuire; 13, Walton.



(1) PUBLIC SCHOOL 78—Winners Northwestern District Middleweight Championship—1, Robinson; 2, Berry; 3, Estep; 4, Macker-
man; 5, Chairs; 6, Feuss; 7, Warfield; 8, Bond; 9, Eareckson; 10, Sandler; 11, Cromwell. (2) PUBLIC SCHOOL 84—Winners
Southern District Middleweight Championship. (3) PUBLIC SCHOOL 27—Winners Southeastern District Heavyweight Champion-
ship—1, Vinup; 2, Ashman; 3, Talbott; 4, Nordling; 5, Shaw; 6, Morgan; 7, Silverstein; 8, Lyons; 9, Dunnock; 10, Friedman; 11,
Dorsey; 12, Clontz; 13, Bell; 14, Smith. (4) PUBLIC SCHOOL 62—Winners Northwestern District Heavyweight Championship—1,
Mannel; 2, Hudson; 3, McPhail; 4, Snader; 5, Lucy; 6, Tregoe; 7, Zimmermann; 8, Kline; 9, Wallace. (5) PUBLIC SCHOOL 76—
Winners Southern District Lightweight Championship—1, Steintz; 2, Baumann; 3, Hoffman; 4, Summers; 5, Seward; 6, Silver-
7, Berneister; 8, Hamburg; 9, Derschinger; 10, Viskocil; 11, Wilhelm; 12, Beiderman. (6) PUBLIC SCHOOL 27—Winners South-
eastern District Lightweight Championship—1, Morgan; 2, Thomas; 3, Susemihl; 4, Ammon; 5, Kelso; 6, Rosenthal; 7, Zellers; 8,
Carpenter; 9, Fox; 10, Drimal; 11, Schaller; 12, Zeller; 13, Abramson. (7) PUBLIC SCHOOL 75—Winners Southwestern District
Middleweight Championship—1, Pumplanski; 2, Zahrendt; 3, Smith; 4, Schwartz; 5, Kranz; 6, Peters; 7, Birkett; 8, Stehle; 9,
Irwin; 10, Carrick; 11, Travers; 12, Windsor. (8) PUBLIC SCHOOL 72—Winners Southwestern District Lightweight Champion-
ship—1, Bishop; 2, Koloski; 3, Mcushaw; 4, Pfeiffer; 5, McConville; 6, Jenkins; 7, Hudlin; 8, Muzdaki; 9, Bauman; 10, Ebberts;
11, Huggins; 12, Zeuch; 13, Maher.



(1) CLEVELAND (OHIO) FOOTBALL CLUB—1, Towers; 2, Marr; 3, MacDougall, Vice-President; 4, Dorward, Secretary; 5, Blackhall, Treasurer; 6, Thwaites; 7, Govan; 8, Robertson; 9, Baird; 10, Stevenson; 11, J. Marshall; 12, D. Marshall; 13, Barker; 14, Scott; 15, Watson, Trainer; 16, Bradford; 17, Scott, President; 18, Walker; 19, King; 20, Macdonald; 21, Love, Trainer; 22, Newlands; 23, Baillie; 24, Scott. (2) BRITANNIAS FOOTBALL CLUB, CLEVELAND, OHIO. (3) H. Johns, Cleveland, Ohio, Chairman Referees' Committee. (4) A. Frank Counts, President Ohio State Soccer Association. (5) Jas. B. Smith, Cleveland, Ohio, Secretary Ohio State Soccer Association.



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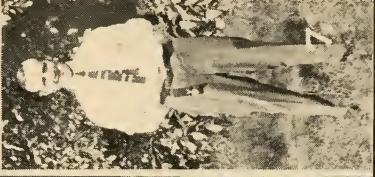
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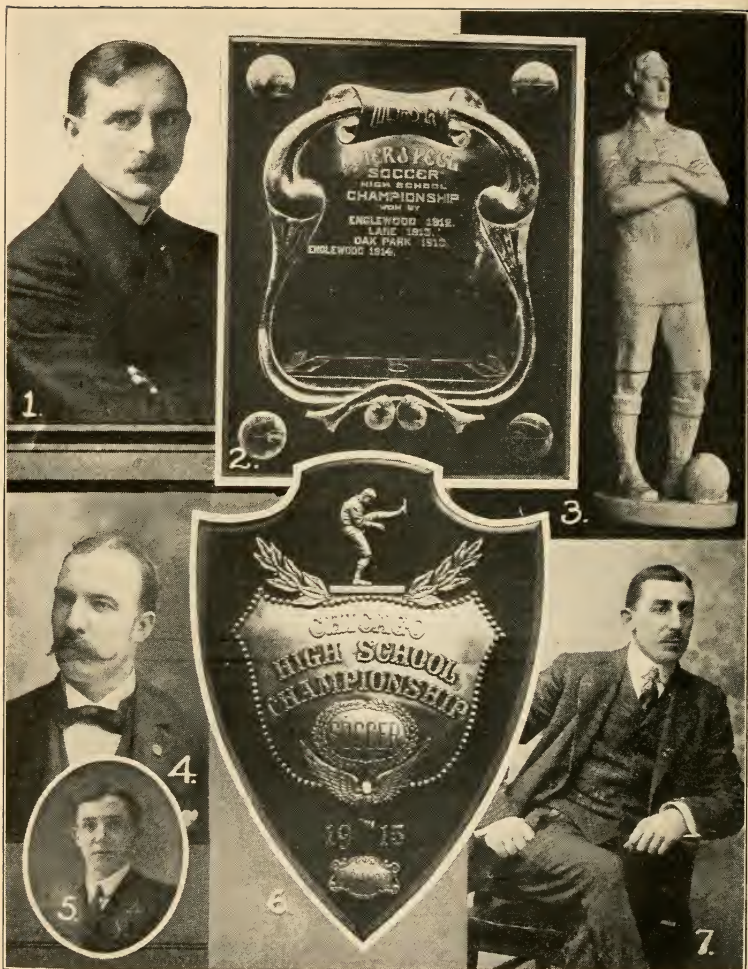
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(1) George Healey, Detroit, Mich., President Michigan State Soccer Association. (2) H. Elliott, Detroit, Mich., Vice-President Michigan State Soccer Association. (3) J. W. Cant, Detroit, Mich., Treasurer Michigan State Soccer Association. (4) A. Leishman, Detroit, Mich., Secretary Michigan State Soccer Association. (5) CALLEDONIA FOOTBALL CLUB, DETROIT, MICH.—Winners Michigan State Soccer Cup—1, Halliday; 2, Melvin; 3, Giles; 4, T. Cant; 5, McGinty; 6, Tulloch; 7, F. McLaren, Treas.; 8, Bain; 9, R. G. Cameron, Sec.; 10, C. Anderson; 11, Husband; 12, Sutherland; 13, McFarlane; 14, G. Cowan; 15, Melvin; 16, McKenzie; 17, Mather; 18, Cummings; 19, Young; 20, McLeod; 21, Stevenson; 22, R. Schram, Hon. Pres.; 23, W. Anderson, Capt.; 24, J. W. Cant, Pres.; 25, R. Cowan; 26, Smith; 27, Fletcher; 28, Scott; 29, D. Cameron, Mgr.; 30, Fraser. (6) J. Daniels, President Peninsular League. (7) C. C. Pickford, Jackson, Mich., President Southern Michigan Soccer League.



(1) DETROIT (MICH.) FOOTBALL CLUB. (2) JACKSON (MICH.) TEAM—1, B. Matthews, Sec.; 2, A. Midgley; 3, G. Blakebro; 4, J. Midgley, Vice-Capt.; 5, Bathe; 6, A. Elcoate, Pres.; 7, Francis; 8, Andrews, Referee; 9, Funston; 10, Halliwell; 11, H. Blakebro; 12, Rowan; 13, Steele; 14, Bond; 15, Pickford, Capt.; 16, Whitehead. (3) KALAMAZOO (MICH.) TEAM—1, Hough; 2, Parry; 3, Ibbottson; 4, Hopkins; 5, Geal; 6, Milham; 7, Chapman; 8, Smith; 9, J. Royle, Capt.; 10, Caley; 11, S. Royle. (4) PACKARD FOOTBALL CLUB, DETROIT, MICH. DETROIT, MICH.—1, Irwin; 2, Dunlop; 3, McLeod; 4, Curran; 5, J. Smith; 6, G. G. Smith, Capt.; 7, Willsner; 8, Gillespie; 9, McCreddie; 10, J. McQuade, Mgr.; 11, Silcock; 12, H. Cook; 13, J. Cook; 14, Cameron.



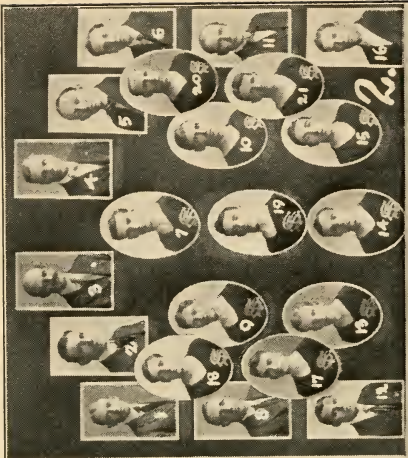
1, Peter J. Peel, Chicago, Ill., First Vice-President United States Football Association, 1915-16. 2, Peter J. Peel Soccer High School Championship Trophy, won by Englewood, 1914. 3, Silver statuette of Ben Govier, captain of the Pullman (Ill.) Soccer Football Club, presented to that sterling veteran by Peter J. Peel, for his long career of gentlemanly playing and devotion to the cause of soccer. 4, Samuel Darwent, Chicago, Ill., manager Hyde Park Blues of Chicago and untiring worker for the advancement of soccer. 5, John H. Evans, Chicago, Ill., Secretary Hyde Park Blues, Chicago, and "live wire" member U. S. F. A. 6, Chicago High School Soccer Championship Trophy, won by Englewood High School, 1915. 7, Joseph Naylor, Milwaukee, Wis., Hon. Sec. Wisconsin State Football Association and Hon. Sec. Milwaukee and District-A. F. L., seasons 1914-15-16.



(1) BRICKLAYERS AND MASONS' FOOTBALL CLUB, CHICAGO, ILL. (2) CAMPBELL ROVERS SOCCER FOOTBALL CLUB, CHICAGO, ILL. (3) CHICAGO SWEDISH ATHLETIC CLUB SOCCER TEAM, CHICAGO, ILL.—Champions Chicago Soccer Football League, 1914-15—1, Olson; 2, Pearson; 3, Pihl; 4, Johnson; 5, Anderson; 6, Johnson; 7, Munson, Ath. Mgr.; 8, Hasselgrist; 9, Andren, Capt.; 10, Bergstedt; 11, Dr. Johnson; 12, Swanson; 13, Anderson; 14, Gustavson.



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(1) JEFFERY FOOTBALL CLUB, KENOSHKA, WIS.—1, DeBruin, Trainer; 2, Eatherington; 3, Blackwood; 4, Jensen; 5, Parker; 6, A. E. Hall, President; 7, Broc; 8, Robinson; 9, Bowmar; 10, Britton; 11, Whitley; 12, Schullen; 13, A. Robinson, Sec.; 14, Horne; 15, Larsen; 16, Bollen; 17, Besworth; 18, Parker; 19, Crawley; 20, Lane, Capt.; 21, Robinson. (2) ST. GEORGE FOOTBALL CLUB, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Winners Olson Soccer Trophy 1913-14-15-1. F. Clark, Treas.; 2, E. D. Powell, Vice Pres.; 3, A. Cameron, Pres.; 4, J. D. Olson, Donor of Trophy; 5, J. Davis, Mgr.; 6, A. Walker, Sec.; 7, Bethell; 8, R. H. Reese, Trainer; 9, Mullins; 10, Woodley; 11, C. Lawson, Trainer; 12, Geldert; 13, Mackenzie; 14, Hoddle; 15, Kipling; 16, Berryman; 17, Crichton; 18, Hilton; 19, Hardie; 20, Thompson; 21, Hughes. (3) RACINE CITY (WIS.) FOOTBALL CLUB.

South End All-Tacoma Team.	Position.	North End All-Tacoma Team.
Kelly, Rogers.....	Goal.....	Doucette, Franklin
Crosta, McKinley.....	Right Back.....	Sorenson, Bryant
Kaegler, Longfellow.....	Left Back.....	Greco, Lincoln
Haugeland, Rogers.....	Right Half.....	Marsh, Central
Smith, McKinley.....	Center Half.....	Dyer, Central
Shutts, McKinley.....	Left Half.....	Waite, Franklin
Sekor, Willard.....	Center.....	Adams, Washington
Williams, Logan.....	Outside Right.....	Wilkinson, Sherman
Fisher, McKinley.....	Inside Right.....	Hoover, Sherman
Hoveland, McKinley.....	Inside Left.....	Gordon, Washington
Holgerson, Willard.....	Outside Left.....	McVittie, Sherman

In the final series between the two sectional teams the South won two of the three games played. The score sheet for the official series was as follows:

SENIOR TEAMS.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Franklin Bears	13	7	4	2	15	8	16
McKinley Reds	12	6	3	3	19	5	15
Central Hustlers	10	4	2	4	7	5	12
Sherman Bulldogs	7	4	0	3	13	5	11
Logan Grays	6	5	1	0	10	4	10
Washington Wildcats	9	4	4	1	6	7	9
Longfellow Invincibles	7	3	2	2	11	5	8
Rogers Defenders	5	2	0	3	8	1	7
Willard Eagles	9	2	5	2	5	11	6
Whitman	5	2	1	2	3	1	6
Grant Spartans	2	2	0	0	5	2	4
Irving Ironsides	4	1	3	0	2	5	2
Edison Dribblers	2	1	1	0	1	1	2
Sheridan Cougars	4	1	3	0	4	8	2
Bryant	5	0	5	0	2	13	0

JUNIOR TEAMS.

Seventy-one official games were played by junior teams. The points won in this series were as follows: Lincoln Stars 17, Willard Hawks 11, Logan Lionhearts 9, Sheridan Cubs 6, McKinley Whites 5, Sherman Pirates 5, Irving Little Braves 4, Franklin Little Giants 2, Washington Colonials 1, Grant 1, Central Hurriers 0, Fern Hill Nationals 0, Rogers' Shamrocks 0, Logan Rovers 2.

Credit for the marked improvement in the play during the season is freely given by the principals to the several "old country" players who generously assisted the boys by suggestions and by actual field coaching. Among these experts were the following, who acted as judges in the selection of the "big six" teams: Robert McDonald, Jack McDougall, James McDonald, G. H. Jackman, Arthur Salisbury, D. S. Healy, Sidney Hughes, Joe Gibson, Dick Edmonds, and Donald Harris.

The judges were enthusiastic about the thorough sportsmanship shown by the boys, as evidenced by clean play and the cheerful acceptance of close decisions. Many of the heaviest players in the association won a reputation for themselves by developing a skill with their feet which made it apparently unnecessary for them to use their weight against lighter players, while on the other hand this consideration on their part led to the development of absolute fearlessness on the part of some of the lighter boys which gives promise of exhibition soccer playing in the schools in the future.

It was understood at the opening of the season that no team or individual player would receive credit for any gains except those made by clean, clever play; and no other type of game was attempted or countenanced by any of the boys who had really grasped the ideals of the game.

Many of the best players developed during the 1914-1915 season are back with their schools this year, and with their experience at the service of their schoolmates, the outlook for soccer football during the coming season is bright.

Soccer Football in Canada

DOMINION OF CANADA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

The Governing Soccer Body of Canada.

BY TOM ROBERTSON, ESQ., TORONTO, CAN.

Officers—Honorary president, E. Bailey Fisher, Winnipeg; president, H. Craig Campbell, Montreal; vice-presidents, H. D. Foster, Winnipeg, and T. Guthrie, Toronto; secretary-treasurer, E. Spencer, Toronto; auditors, J. Sutherland, Winnipeg, and T. Kyle, Montreal.

Council (officers included)—H. S. Collins, Toronto; R. Gillespie, Montreal; H. Stenhouse, Fort William; D. McNeil, Winnipeg.

Notwithstanding the war and the fact that thousands of the best in the land have gone to fight for King and Empire, football in Canada last year continued to progress with wonderful rapidity, so much so that the game is now recognized as being the most influential sport in the Dominion.

Clubs have sprung up like mushrooms and it is a debatable point whether the East or the West has the majority. It is no exaggeration to state that throughout the Dominion there are no fewer than 20,000 active players controlled by the Dominion of Canada Football Association, which since its inception three years ago has done such noble work in organizing the various clubs throughout the country.

Although Toronto can boast of having more clubs than any other city, Winnipeg would seem to be the most successful district, and the fact that one of its clubs was able for the third year in succession to take the Connaught cup to the "Gate of the West" is convincing proof of the ability which obtains there.

Whilst the cup, which carries with it the championship of Canada, is retained in the West, a new name falls to be inscribed on the trophy; for until this year Norwood Wanderers had monopolized the honors. Now it is Winnipeg Scottish that is the champion team and richly they deserve the honor. If ever a team could lay claim to a glorious victory it was they. Heretofore it has been the custom to play a series of finals with the champions of each province taking part, but owing to the changed conditions brought about by the war it was decided that the Eastern and Western provinces should play to finish and provide a grand champion to face each other in the grand finale.

Saskatchewan and Alberta were unable to compete owing to the war conditions and this left Manitoba and New Ontario to furnish a champion from the West. As champions of Manitoba, the Winnipeg Scottish fought two great games with the C. P. R. team of Fort William and came out winners. In the East the Ontario champions (Lancashires of Toronto) met Quebec's candidates (Grand Trunk of Montreal) and after games in each city victory rested with the Torontonians.

Lancashires and Winnipeg Scottish then met in the last and greatest event and as was the case in the elimination series two games were played, both in Toronto. The first game ended in a goalless tie, but in the second the "Scottish" simply ran away with the victory by a score of 6-1.

That second game will long be remembered, for the winners gave an exhibition of football that would have done credit to any first class old country team. It was practically a game between Scotland and England, the Scottish being all Scots and of course the Lancashires all English.

With many hundreds of footballers who have gone to the front, there falls to be recorded the name of Mr. F. A. Barter, one of the founders and the first president of the Dominion of Canada Football Association, and as

Mr. Tom Robertson, who was associated with him in forming the association and has conducted its secretarial duties since its inception has now retired, here passes two links which have been most prominently identified with the game for many years.

Mr. Craig Campbell of Montreal is the new president of the association and his valuable experience of football in the province of Quebec qualifies him as an able successor to Messrs. F. A. Barter, Tom Watson and E. Bailey Fisher.

The last named took a strong hold when he ordered the suspension of the Ontario Football Association until it revoked certain decisions relative to the reinstatement of players in the city of Hamilton. These players had been members of a professional body now defunct and they failed to take advantage of the amnesty granted by the parent body last October. Later on they saw their mistake and applied to the provincial association to reinstate them.

The O. F. A. took it upon itself to acquiesce in their request, and as the power to reinstate lies solely with the national association they were immediately called to book. After suffering suspension for two or three weeks the provincial body climbed down, rescinded what they had done and their suspension was raised. It has to be stated that the players affected were subsequently formally reinstated by the Dominion Football Association at the annual meeting.

During the year the Toronto and District Football Association suspended eleven players for life, and this was ratified by the parent association. These players had been professionals, but were reinstated as amateurs and scattered themselves among various clubs in Toronto. Last Christmas holidays they were tempted to get together and go as a team to St. Louis, Mo., where they played several games with clubs unaffiliated with the United States Football Association. They can never play again in any country in the world, as by International Football Federation rules they automatically become suspended everywhere.

For some time past many clubs have been formed in the Dominion in connection with public works or other mercantile institutions and these have invariably taken the name of the works with which they were identified. This not only was felt to be using sport for advertising purposes but to be detrimental to other clubs who found their players being induced to leave their ranks by offers of jobs. The Dominion Football Association has now decided that no such clubs can be affiliated unless they confine their play to a mercantile league, and this it is expected will put a stop to illicit trading in players, which verges on professionalism.

Taken altogether the game of soccer in Canada has a bright future. When the war is over, which we all hope will be soon, and the thousands of our young men, who are spared to return from the front, the clubs are certain to be stronger than ever, especially in Saskatchewan and Alberta, which have so nobly responded to the Empire's call and in a football sense were less able to afford it than the more populous provinces.

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE: RESULTS AND POSITIONS OF THE CLUBS.

The table on this and following page give at a glance all information as to how the clubs in the First and Second Divisions of the League have performed—games won, lost and drawn, both home and away; number of goals scored, etc.

FIRST DIVISION, 1914-15.

Position of Club.	The League—1st Division.		Aston Villa	B Burn	Bolton	Bradford City	Bradford	Burnley	Chelsea	Liverpool	M Chester	Middlesbrough	Ncastle	Nottingham	Oldham Athletic	Sheffield United	Sheffield Wednesday	Sunderland	Tottenham Hotspur	West B. Albion	38 Games		Goals for	Goals agt	Goal Average.	Points		
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17	H	A	2	2	3	3	3	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	19	8	69	84	.8	30
11	H	A	3	0	4	2	3	0	0	2	1	3	2	0	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	11	14	55	49	1.122	40
9	H	A	2	1	2	2	3	0	3	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	17	14	7	69	65	1.06	41
4	H	A	3	3	0	5	0	1	2	0	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	18	13	7	61	47	1.29	43
10	H	A	1	3	2	1	2	0	1	4	...	2	0	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	17	13	51	65	.833	29
1	H	A	5	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	...	5	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	19	11	8	76	47	1.61	46
13	H	A	6	3	0	4	3	2	1	1	...	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	15	9	65	75	.866	37
6	H	A	1	0	3	2	1	0	1	1	...	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	10	13	49	39	1.256	43
18	H	A	3	3	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	...	2	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	9	17	12	49	62	.76	30
12	H	A	1	1	4	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	...	1	1	0	4	1	1	1	13	13	12	62	74	.837	33	
15	H	A	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	...	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	17	10	46	48	.95	32	
16	H	A	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	...	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	9	16	13	41	57	.74	31	
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SECOND DIVISION, 1914-15.

Position of Club.	The League—		Arsenal.	Barnsley.	Birmingham.	Blackpool.	Bristol.	Bury.	Clapton Orient.	Derby County.	Fulham.	Glossop.	Grimsby Town.	Huddersfield Town.	Hull City.	Leeds City.	Leicester City.	Lincoln City.	Loughborough.	Notts Forest.	Preston North End.	Stockport County.	Wolverhampton.	Wandsworth.	38 Games Won Lost Drawn	Goals for	Goals against	Goal Average.	Points
	2nd Division	1st Division																											
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Soccer Football in the United Kingdom

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THE STORY OF A REMARKABLE SEASON.

Twelve months ago when I wrote my article for the 1914-15 edition of this publication the outlook for football in the United Kingdom and on the Continent of Europe was rosy in the extreme. There was promise of such a boom in the game as never previously had been witnessed. Amateur football in England, which had unquestionably suffered in quality as the result of the prolonged split between the Football Association and the Amateur Football Association, was entering upon what promised to be a long and prosperous era.

The adjustment of the differences between the two associations by which they agreed to work harmoniously together, and actively co-operate with each other for the good of the game, would have meant that in all international matches England would have had a much wider choice of players, for adherents of soccer at our universities and public schools would have been at the disposal of the parent body, and enough was seen the previous season to prove that abolition of dissension in the ranks of two associations would mean a marked fillip to the amateur side of the game.

From a professional point of view the future was bright with hope. This is true of the four countries of the United Kingdom, and everybody was looking forward to a season of unparalleled interest and prosperity. In a short twenty-four hours the whole position was changed. I may remind our American friends that competitive football in England begins on September 1st in each year, and that the arrangements are made months in advance. Thus it came about that when early in August war was declared all the necessary steps had been taken to launch football for the 1914-15 season on a most ambitious scale. The big clubs had made contracts with players and had entered into other business engagements involving an expenditure of thousands of pounds; and, war or no war, it was absolutely impossible for them to evade their financial obligations.

There were no such serious monetary problems confronting the majority of the amateur clubs. When the trumpet call went through the United Kingdom, "To arms!" it was responded to by amateur players by the hundred thousand. It is impossible to state the number of footballers now with the colors, but as indicative of what happened all over the country I may mention what occurred in the county of which I am the Hon. secretary. We have in Hertfordshire about 180 clubs on the membership roll, and a large number of these players are small organizations in agricultural districts. The number of players who have thrown up their civilian employment and put on khaki, or joined one of the branches of the Naval Service, averages over 14 per club. It was not a question whether in this county we should or should not continue football. We were unable to do so because there were practically no players left, and members of committees and officials also donned the uniform in such numbers that many clubs were "hung" up because there was not anybody left to carry them on. All competitions were abandoned, and there is not the slightest chance of them being resumed until the war is over.

I have not mentioned Hertfordshire for the purpose of boosting it, but it is best to be exact, and that is why I have given a concrete instance of what has happened instead of contenting myself with generalizations. In the London Football Association area over 10,000 players have volunteered for active service, and of all parts of Great Britain the same story may be told. It may with truth be said that the greatest British Army that has ever taken the field is one of sportsmen, for every branch of sport has con-

tributed its quota, although in point of numbers none can compare with Association football, because this is the great democratic game here. Rugby footballers, Northern Union players, cricketers, rowing men, track athletes, lawn tennis players, hunting men, racing men, boxers, and others who figure in branches of sport I have not mentioned, offered their services and their lives to their Fatherland in its hour of supreme need.

There are cranks in Great Britain as in every other part of the civilized globe, and this is the explanation of the fact that upon the declaration of war there was an immediate demand by that section of the community that has always been opposed to football for the game to be closed down. Owing to persistence of the enemies of the game and the manner in which they were allowed to capture a portion of the London press, fictitious importance was given to the controversy which raged in this country around football, and the shameful misrepresentations of ignorant press writers misled our American cousins as to the true state of affairs.

The problems which faced the Football Association had also to be tackled by the Scottish and Welsh, and in a less degree by the Irish football associations. While they were deliberating as to the policy that should be adopted, an ill-judged and rancorous campaign was waged against the game chiefly by those who were vicarious patriots—men who considered they had done their duty to the nation when they sat at home in their arm-chairs and fulminated against everybody else for not shouldering the rifle. I may perhaps be permitted if I give here extracts from a letter which I wrote to the press, including the "Times," early last autumn, as it explains how we legislators viewed the situation with which we had to deal:

"There is not a Britisher worth his salt who needs to be told nowadays how dire is his country's need of men, and we should be charitable enough to assume that persons of enlistable age who have not joined the colors have good reasons for their apparent lack of patriotism. There are a few assertive people, ignorant of the facts as to professional football, who have entered upon a discreditable campaign to rob the professional player of his living, irrespective of the circumstances of individual cases.

"The latest census figures show that there are 5,685,176 male persons in England and Wales between the ages of 19 years and 38 years. Of those 2,787,257 are married, leaving 2,897,919 single men of military age. It is more than a generous estimate that 500,000 of that number have enlisted, and we therefore have over 2,300,000 single men in England and Wales not yet connected with the Forces.

"How many of that number are professional players? The total number of professional football players registered with the Football Association is 4,392, and that total includes hundreds who are now serving with the colors. The number of professional players now registered is much less than usual because so many have enlisted. I estimate that the number of professional players now under arms is in the neighborhood of 2,000.

"Of the 4,392 professionals who are registered, more than 50 per cent. are engaged in civil employment, and get only a few shillings a week for playing on Saturday afternoons. The number of first-class professional players who depend upon the game as their means of livelihood is less than 1,500, and there are about 500 other players in second-class football who also find in the game their sole or chief means of support.

"Very careful inquiries have been made, and the result is to establish that of the total number who depend upon football for a living more than two-thirds are married men, and many others are responsible for the maintenance of homes.

"I am over-estimating when I put the number of professional players in first-class football who might reasonably be expected to enlist at between 400 and 500, and it does appear exceedingly ridiculous that there should be a newspaper campaign because it is assumed that 400 or 500 of the 2,300,000 single men still outside the Forces ought to be deprived of their living and thus be compelled to enlist, if only to obtain bread and butter.

"The voluntary system is the basis of our recruiting, and until that is altered football professionals, be they many or few, have only the same measure of responsibility as the other 2,300,000 single men who so far have not enlisted. To wage a newspaper war against this small fraction of the community, and magnify their reluctance to shoulder the rifle into a national scandal, is unfair and also extremely absurd.

"Personally, I am, and have been for years, a strong believer in compulsory military service, and I would support this or any other government in any measure that would make every man of military age bear arms for his country, but we have to deal with things as they are, and it is left to every man to decide for himself whether he should respond to Lord Kitchener's call to arms, or whether he will be a poltroon and a coward.

"The 400 or 500 professional players without home ties who ought to have enlisted but have not, are regarded by the majority of us who are concerned with the administrative side of football as cowards, but so are hundreds of thousands of other young men who have shirked their duty to the country in these days of stress and trial. Are there not within a stone's throw of Fleet street, where the newspaper campaign has been engineered, four or five times as many young fellows who should be in the ranks as there are professional footballers who should join? If I had the power, I would compel all to enlist who would not be exempt if the Militia Ballot Act were in force.

"The contracts entered into between clubs and players are sneered at. It has been said by some correspondents that they are put forward as a convenient excuse. Those contracts are stamped agreements which guarantee employment in the majority of cases until April 30th, 1915, and in the minority of cases for a longer period. Every club in the country is prepared to cancel its contracts so as to permit players to enlist, and there is not a single instance in which a player wishing to join the colors has had the slightest obstacle placed in his way.

"Unfortunately, those who write letters to the Press, and many who criticize football in other ways, are opposed to the Association game as such, and betray this fact in the wide and sweeping denunciations they make.

"It should be placed on record that to date considerably over 100,000 Association footballers have joined the Forces. There is not another sport that comes within measurable distance of such a magnificent record. Why, Association football has contributed more men for fighting purposes, and has raised more money by many thousands of pounds for the various War Relief Funds than all other sports combined. And this is the sport that is singled out for unfair and vindictive condemnation by people who will not take the trouble to ascertain the facts.

"There is one misconception which is general, but which should be removed. It is assumed that the Football Association can put an end to players' contracts and also stop football. It has not any more right or power to determine players' contracts for service than any one of your correspondents. As to stopping the game, it is in the same position as the M.C.O. in cricket, and everybody knows that the M.C.O. is powerless to stop club cricket, even if it were stupid enough ever to make the attempt.

"As a matter of fact, thousands of football clubs have dropped all their fixtures this season because their players have enlisted. The Football Association has cancelled all its international matches, all the County Associations have abandoned their inter-county matches, and the Southern Counties' Amateur Championship Competition, in which 14 counties take part, has been suspended for the season.

"The majority who write to the newspapers on this subject overlook the 2,000 professionals who have enlisted, they pass over the 100,000 amateurs the game has provided for the colors, and they lash themselves into a fury of indignation because 400 or 500 single men professionals have not shown themselves to be patriots. I denounce the latter as strongly as anybody, but let some of the indignation that finds its way into print be directed against the 2,300,000 slackers who are not footballers. Even in these times we ought not to lose our sense of proportion and our reputation for British fair play."

The Football League, the Southern League, the Scottish League and the Irish League all passed resolutions affirming the desirability of the game being continued in view of the heavy financial commitments of the clubs, and when the Consultative Committee of the Football Association met in London on August 31st last the following resolutions were unanimously agreed to:

"The Football Association earnestly appeals to the patriotism of all who are interested in the game to help in all possible ways in support of the Nation in the present serious crisis, and particularly to those who are able, to render personal service in the Army and Navy, which are so gallantly upholding our national honor. To those who are unable to render personal service the Association would appeal for their generous support of the funds for the relief and assistance of the dependent of those who are engaged in serving their country."

"Clubs having professional players are urged to give every facility for their temporary release.

"That The Football Association contributes £1,000 to the Prince of Wales' War Fund and will be prepared to assist the Authorities in any direction which they may desire.

"That The Football Association contributes £250 to the Belgian Relief Fund, and expresses its deep sympathy with that nation in their great suffering."

The Football Association also appointed a special committee to deal with matters arising out of the war, and this committee drew up a set of proposals which were submitted to the War Office. The latter approved those proposals and a letter was sent expressing "warm appreciation of the Army Council for the assistance offered." A few days later in a communication to the War Office from the Football Association it was stated: "The Football Association is prepared to request all its members to stop the playing of matches if the War Office is of opinion that such a course would assist it in its duties."

That was a firm, definite offer and the result was seen in the following report which was presented by the Football Association special committee to the F. A. Council on October 12th:

"Football, which is essentially the pastime of the masses, is the only sport which is being attacked. It is producing more men for the Army, and money for relief, than all the others.

"Other sports, and the places of entertainment, are being carried on as usual without objection.

"Although The Football Association publicly stated its willingness to place its whole organization and influence at the service of the War Office, the agitation by parties not connected with the game to stop the playing of matches continued.

"The scheme suggested by The Football Association met with the full approval and warm appreciation of the Army Council and it has produced excellent results.

"As the agitation still continued the War Office was informed that The Football Association would be prepared to request all its members to stop the playing of matches if the War Office was of opinion that such a course would assist it in its duties.

"In their reply the Army Council express their gratitude to the Association for its assistance, and deprecate anything being done which does not appear to be called for by the present situation, and state that the question whether the playing of matches should be entirely stopped is more a matter for the discretion of the Association.

"As the War Office is satisfied, The Football Association is of opinion that its members should continue to play matches where by so doing they can assist and do not hinder the authorities in recruiting."

On a subsequent date there was a conference of the four National Associations called at the request of the Scottish F. A. It was agreed at the conference that all international matches for the season should be abandoned, but that it should be left to the respective associations to deal with the cup competitions which they promoted, although there was a clear understanding that it was desirable they should be run as usual. In Scotland the Senior Cup was abandoned, but the Junior Cup and the Scottish League went on in the ordinary way, while in the other countries the National Cup competitions and the principal leagues were played to a finish. This brought us to the end of the season, and then the question arose as to the 1915-16 season.

The position to be faced was vastly different from that of last summer. The clubs in this country had had long notice that football associations would not register any professional players before August 2d, and the effect of that was that summer wages could not be paid because it is illegal for any remuneration to be given to a player for current or prospective service on the field unless he be registered with the association. The object the Council had in view was to compel clubs to keep clear of financial obligations so far as possible, and the wisdom of this was seen later when towards the end of July a meeting of the association was held to determine what should be the policy with regard to the forthcoming season. The governing body then agreed upon and promulgated the following decisions:

"The Council of the Football Association, having carefully considered the present and future prospects of the game, and recognizing the paramount duty of every man to help to carry on the war to a victorious issue at the earliest possible moment, and not to do anything that will in any degree postpone or hinder the desired result, resolves that for the present the following regulations shall be observed;

(1) That no international matches or the Challenge Cup and Amateur Cup matches of this Association be played during the next season.

(2) That Associations, Leagues, and clubs be allowed to arrange matches without cup, medals, or other rewards, to suit local conditions, provided that they do not interfere with the work of those engaged in war work.

(3) That matches be played only on Saturday afternoons, and on early closing and other recognized holidays.

(4) That no remuneration shall be paid to players, nor shall there be any registration of players, but clubs and players shall be subject to the rules and conditions applicable to them on April 30, 1915.

(5) Agreements with players for service after April 30, 1915, shall be suspended until further order.

(6) Clubs may join any combination of clubs which may be convenient to them."

The effect of these decisions is that there will not be any professional football in England next season. Football has not been prohibited, the view being taken that it is imperative the game should be continued for recreative purposes in so far as it may be played without in any way prejudicing recruiting or the output of war material. Competitions may be arranged, but they will not carry with them any definite reward in the shape of cups or medals.

The Irish League has decided not to run in 1915-16, the Southern League will also suspend its competition, but the Scottish League will continue, the payments to players being limited to a maximum sum of £1 per match. Moreover, a player will not be allowed to take part in the games unless he be employed during the week in work other than that connected with football. Following the meeting of the Football Association Council on July 19 the Football League members met and agreed upon the following resolutions:

This annual meeting having decided to suspend the usual League competition for season 1915-16, it is resolved:

(1) That all rules and portions of rules as are inappropriate, inopportune, or inconsistent with the football to be played during the coming season shall be suspended.

(2) A list of retained players and players open to be transferred shall be forwarded by each club to the secretary on or before the 26th day of July, 1915, and such lists shall be regarded and recognized as the operative lists of the clubs respectively until the completion of the next regular League competition.

(3) All players on the retained and transfer lists of any club shall be entitled without transfer to play for any recognized club except in a league competition outside England, whether in membership with the League or not, and shall revert to the ordinary rules governing the League's competitions when the players shall automatically revert to the club holding the League registration. But no player can change his old club except as a matter of convenience of work or residence.

(4) Players taking part in football games in which League clubs participate can only play under such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the F. A., and the games shall be subject to the rules, regulations, and resolutions of the F. A. for the time being in force and operation.

(5) League transfers can still be effected under the rules of the League.

(6) In all games in which League clubs shall take part the fee payable to a referee shall not exceed 10s. 6d. and third-class railway fares.

(7) No inter-league matches shall be played during the continuance of the present European war.

(8) That clubs having extended agreements with players can make no further payments to such players until the F. A. shall again arrange the registration of professional players.

Two groups of clubs were arranged as follows:

GROUP 1.

Sheffield Wednesday	Leeds City
Sheffield United	Huddersfield Town
Bradford	Barnsley
Bradford City	Hull City
Notts County	Grimsby Town
Notts Forest	Lincoln City
Derby County	Leicester Fosse

GROUP 2.

Manchester City	Burnley
Manchester United	Stockport County
Liverpool	Oldham Athletic
Everton	Blackpool
Bolton Wanderers	Preston North End
Bury	Stoke Rochdale

With two or three others.

When I mailed this article there had not been anything definite settled with regard to the professional clubs in London and the South, but it is anticipated that there will be a Metropolitan League, and that the clubs outside its radius will either close down until the war is over or else arrange exclusively "friendly" fixtures. These are the broad outlines of the story to date of football in the United Kingdom since the outbreak of the war so far as the administrative side of the game is concerned.

So much space has already been occupied that I must necessarily be brief with regard to the actual playing results in 1914-15. I ought, in the first place, to emphasize that there is scarcely a first class club in the country that does not show a large deficiency on the season, and in several cases this amounts to thousands of pounds. Attendances at matches fell by over 50 per cent. chiefly because the regular patrons of the clubs enlisted. One of the most remarkable features of an extraordinary season was the fact that soldiers frequently were more than half the total number of onlookers, and at a big cup tie on the Chelsea ground over 20,000 khaki-clad spectators passed through the turnstiles. A further proof of the hold which football has upon the rank and file of the Army was shown by the constant demands from the theatres of war for copies of the *Sporting Life* and other newspapers which gave reports of football matches. Moreover, there was an unceasing stream of requests for footballs for the Tommies, and when the latter were away from the trenches, if only for a short time, they promptly organized matches, and many instances have come to hand of games being played within the firing zone, and of shells exploding on the pitches while the unperturbed votaries of soccer were chasing the ball. Men capable of this kind of thing do not understand the meaning of funk, and the magnificent abandon shown by the whole of the British troops when in touch with the enemy is at once a proof of a morale that will carry them through to a triumphant conclusion, and a tribute to the incalculable value of sport as a preparation for active service in the field.

It follows that with a great part of Europe under arms there was almost a cessation of international football. The game, however, was played in all the belligerent countries, even devastated Belgium having some matches in the few miles of territory which the Germans, in spite of their terrific efforts, have never been able to conquer. In France, in Russia, in Austria, Hungary and Germany the game was continued with more or less zeal, and some half-hearted attempts were made to bring off international encounters. So far as I have been able to trace the following are the only games that may fairly lay claim to be of a representative character:

January 1—At Milan, Italy 6, Franco-Belgian team 2.
 January 3—At Turin, Franco-Belgian team 3, Italy 2.
 January 31—At Turin, Italy 3, Switzerland 1.
 April 18—At Vauves, Belgium 3, France 0.

Although the series of international matches between the four countries of the United Kingdom were abandoned the inter-League games were brought off as usual, and, as on so many previous occasions, the championship depended upon the result of the meeting of the Football League and the Scottish League, at Glasgow. In recent years the representatives of the Thistle had had somewhat the best of matters, but on March 20 last the Rose triumphed in

emphatic style by four goals to one, after leading at half time 2-0. As the attendance was over 44,000, and the receipts were £1,650, public interest in this annual encounter was well maintained. The results of the matches and the championship table are appended:

October	7—At West Bromwich, Football League 2, Irish League 1.
October	12—In London, Southern League 1, Scottish League 1.
October	26—In London, Football League 2, Southern League 1.
October	31—At Swansea, Southern League 1, Irish League 1.
November	18—At Belfast, Scottish League 2, Irish League 1.
March	20—At Glasgow, Football League 4, Scottish League 1.

CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Football League	3	3	0	0	8	3	6
Scottish League	3	1	1	1	4	6	3
Southern League	3	0	1	2	3	4	2
Irish League	3	0	2	1	3	5	1

Although the great majority of the Cup competitions in this country were cancelled, the Football Association, for the purpose of keeping faith with its clubs, carried through its Challenge Cup and its Amateur Cup. The former was shorn of much of its glamour so far as the Final Tie was concerned, as it was removed from the Crystal Palace. With a view to assisting the clubs the Association decided to forego its levy of 5 per cent. on the gross gates in the Competition Proper, and thus cut off a source of income which in the previous season had brought in £3,500. There were plenty of surprises as the competition progressed, the most sensational being the defeat of the famous Blackburn Rovers by Swansea Town, a Welsh club taking part in the second division of the Southern League. When the semi-final stage was reached the clubs still left in were Chelsea, Everton, Sheffield United, and Bolton Wanderers. Chelsea overcame Everton at Aston Villa, and Sheffield United knocked out Bolton Wanderers at Blackburn. The final tie was played on the Manchester United ground, on the last Saturday in April, in miserable weather. As all railway stock was required for the conveyance of troops and war stores there were not any excursions, but there was an attendance of about 50,000 and the gate receipts were £4,052, these being excellent figures taking the adverse conditions into consideration. The game was somewhat disappointing. Chelsea, the first London club to reach the final tie since the cup was won by Tottenham Hotspur in 1901, so far from bringing the trophy to the South, played in unconvincing style, due largely to the fact that the players were stale through having to crowd in a number of games—they played 10 in the last 28 days of the season—and another disadvantage was that Thomson, their dashing centre-forward, was crocked, and he was practically a passenger throughout. The Sheffield United team always looked to have the game in hand, and they deservedly won the Cup for the third time in their career.

The F. A. Amateur Cup came down South, as in the final, Clapton, who met the holders (Bishop Auckland) on the Millwall enclosure, scored the only goal, and won a hard match by 1-0. In the second half the losers put up a great fight, but the dogged and determined defense of the London club kept Auckland out, and thus Clapton won the Blue Riband of the amateur world for the third time. It is noteworthy that Clapton last season reached the final of four competitions, but they lost the London Senior, the Essex Senior, and the West Hampton Hospital Cup. The annexation of the Amateur Cup was more than sufficient compensation for their other disappointments.

With regard to other cup competitions, the Scottish Cup was abandoned, the Welsh Cup was won by Wrexham, and the Irish Cup by Linfield, the London Cup by Millwall, the London Charity Competition by Nunhead, London Senior Amateur by London Caledonians, Luton Town and Plymouth Argyle played a drawn game in the Southern Charity final, Grays Athletic secured the Essex Senior Cup, Birmingham defeated Aston Villa in the final of the Staffordshire Cup, West Bromwich Albion beat Aston Villa 3-2 in the final of

the Birmingham Charity Cup, the Lancashire Cup fell to Burnley, the Manchester Cup to Stockport County, the Glasgow Charity Cup to Celtic, and the East of Scotland Cup to the Heart of Midlothian.

The league world of football in the United Kingdom is on a big scale, for there are over a thousand competitions in England alone conducted on the tournament principle. The most important of these are the four leagues which meet each other in representative matches. There were periods last season when it appeared likely that there would be a collapse of the Football League and the Southern League, but this was avoided, and there was a fine struggle in each for championship honors. In the first division of the Football League the result was in doubt right to the finish, but Everton managed to obtain a point more than Oldham Athletic, their nearest rivals, and won the premier position for the first time since 1890-91. There was a tremendously exciting struggle to escape the last two places, and eventually these were occupied by the two London clubs—Chelsea and Tottenham Hotspur. There is no doubt that Chelsea's success in the F. A. Cup cost them their position in the league, and when the league competition is again resumed London will be without a representative in the first division. In the second division Derby County and Preston North End, the two clubs that were relegated in 1914, gained promotion, and the two bottom clubs were Leicester Fosse and Glossop. At the annual meeting of the league Leicester Fosse was re-elected to membership, but Glossop was unceremoniously kicked out, only one vote being recorded in their favor, and the vacancy thus created will be filled by Stoke, who was one of the original dozen clubs that formed the league, but who during the past few seasons has been taking part in Southern League football. Subjoined are the championship tables of the two divisions:

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 1.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Everton (15)	38	19	11	8	76	47	46
Oldham Athletic (4).....	38	17	10	11	70	56	45
Blackburn Rovers (1).....	38	18	13	7	88	61	43
Burnley (12)	38	18	13	7	61	47	43
Manchester City (13).....	38	15	10	13	49	39	43
Sheffield United (10).....	38	15	10	13	49	41	43
Sheffield Wednesday (18).....	38	15	10	13	61	54	43
Sunderland (7)	38	18	15	5	81	72	41
Bradford (—)	38	17	14	7	69	65	41
Bradford City (9).....	38	13	11	14	55	49	40
W. Bromwich (5).....	38	15	13	10	49	43	40
Middlesbrough (3)	38	13	13	12	62	74	38
Aston Villa (2).....	38	13	14	11	62	72	37
Liverpool (16).....	38	14	15	9	65	75	37
Newcastle United (11).....	38	11	17	10	46	48	32
Notts County (—).....	38	9	16	13	41	57	31
Bolton Wan. (6).....	38	11	19	8	68	84	30
Manchester U. (14).....	38	9	17	12	46	62	30
Chelsea (8)	38	8	17	13	51	65	29
Tottenham H. (17).....	38	8	18	12	57	90	28

N. B.—The figures within parentheses indicate the order of finishing in 1913-14.

For the last eight years the leaders have been as follows:

	Winner.	Second.	Third.
1907-8	Manchester United (52)	Aston Villa (43)	Manchester City (43)
1908-9	Newcastle United (53)	Everton (46)	Sunderland (44)
1909-10	Aston Villa (53)	Liverpool (48)	Blackburn Rovers (45)
1910-11	Manchester United (52)	Aston Villa (51)	Sunderland (45)
1911-12	Blackburn Rovers (49)	Everton (46)	Newcastle United (44)
1912-13	Sunderland (54)	Aston Villa (50)	Sheffield Wednesday (49)
1913-14	Blackburn Rovers (51)	Aston Villa (44)	Middlesbrough (43)
1914-15	Everton (46)	Oldham Athletic (45)	Blackburn Rovers (43)

The maximum was 76 points.

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 2.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Derby County (—)	38	23	8	7	71	33	53
Preston, N. E. (—)	38	20	8	10	61	42	50
Barnsley (5)	38	22	13	3	51	51	47
Waverhampton W. (9)	38	19	12	7	77	52	45
Birmingham (14)	38	17	12	9	62	39	43
The Arsenal (3)	38	19	14	5	69	41	43
Hull City (7)	38	19	14	5	65	54	43
Huddersfield T. (13)	38	17	13	8	61	42	42
Clapton Orient (6)	38	16	13	9	50	43	41
Blackpool (16)	38	17	16	5	58	57	39
Bury (10)	38	15	15	8	61	56	38
Fulham (11)	38	15	16	7	53	47	37
Bristol City (8)	38	15	16	7	62	56	37
Stockport County (12)	38	15	16	7	54	60	37
Leeds City (4)	38	14	20	4	65	64	32
Lincoln City (19)	38	11	18	9	46	65	31
Grimsby Town (15)	38	11	18	9	48	76	31
Nottenham Forest (20)	38	10	19	9	43	77	29
Leicester Fosse (18)	38	10	24	4	47	88	24
Glossop (17)	38	6	26	6	31	87	13

N. B.—The figures within parentheses indicate the order of finishing in 1913-14.

The following are the leaders for the last half dozen years :

	Winner.	Second.	Third.
1909-10	Manchester City (54)	Oldham Ath. (53)	Hull City (53)
1910-11	W. Birmingham Alb. (53)	Bolton Wan. (51)	Chelsea (49)
1911-12	Derby County (54)	Chelsea (54)	Burnley (52)
1912-13	Preston N. E. (53)	Burnley (50)	Birmingham (46)
1913-14	Notts County (53)	Bradford (49)	Arsenal (49)
1914-15	Derby County (53)	Preston, N. E. (58)	Barnsley (47)

The maximum is 76 points.

The Southern League provided one of the most genuine surprises in the history of tournament football. The championship was won by Watford, which in the preceding season only just managed to escape relegation. Playing forceful and skilful football throughout the season, the team, which contained a large leaven of local players, gained the coveted distinction of champions rather as the result of consistently good form than by brilliancy. The two bottom clubs were Croydon Common and Gillingham, while the clubs that gained promotion were Stoke and Stalybridge Celtic. As the former have been received into the Football League, and some of the Welsh clubs are not likely to continue running, the Southern League constitution is more or less in the melting pot. It would be useless to hazard a prophecy as to what is likely to happen when normal times are restored, and I will wait for twelve months, by which time the campaign in Flanders, in Gallipoli, and in other parts of the world should have ended in a great victory for the British and their Allies, and our thoughts will be centered upon the triumphs of peace instead of victories of war. Here are the tables for the two divisions of the Southern League :

SOUTHERN LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Watford (18)	38	22	8	8	68	46	52
Reading (4)	38	21	10	7	68	43	49
Cardiff City (10)	38	22	12	4	72	38	48
West Ham U. (6)	38	18	11	9	58	47	45
Northampton (3)	38	16	11	11	56	51	43
Southampton (11)	38	19	14	5	78	74	43
Portsmouth (9)	38	16	12	10	54	42	42
Millwall (15)	38	16	12	10	50	51	42
Swindon Town (1)	38	15	12	11	77	59	41

SOUTHERN LEAGUE—DIVISION I—Continued.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Brighton & H. (7).....	38	16	15	7	46	47	39
Exeter City (12)	38	15	15	8	50	41	38
Queen's Park R. (8).....	38	13	13	12	55	56	38
Norwich City (14).....	38	11	13	14	53	56	36
Luton Town (—)	38	13	17	8	61	73	34
Crystal Palace (2).....	38	13	17	8	47	61	34
Bristol Rovers (17).....	38	14	21	3	53	75	31
Plymouth A. (5)	38	8	16	14	51	61	30
Southend U. (16)	38	10	20	8	44	64	28
Croydon Com. (—).....	38	9	20	9	47	63	27
Gillingham (13)	38	6	24	8	43	83	20

N. B.—The figures within parentheses denote the order of the clubs finishing in 1913-14.

The following will give the leading clubs for the last eight seasons :

Winner.	Second.	Third.
1907-08 Q. P. Rangers (51)	Plymouth A. (49)	Millwall (46)
1908-09 Northampton (55)	Swindon Town (49)	Southampton (48)
1909-10 Brighton & Hove (59)	Swindon Town (54)	Queen's Park Rangers (51)
1910-11 Swindon Town (53)	Northampton (48)	Brighton & Hove (48)
1911-12 Q. P. Rangers (53)	Plymouth A. (52)	Northampton (51)
1912-13 Plymouth Argl. (50)	Swindon Town (48)	West Ham. U. (48)
1913-14 Swindon Town (50)	Crystal Pal. (50)	Northampton (47)
1914-15 Watford (52)	Reading (49))	Cardiff City (48)

In 1908-9 the maximum was 80, in 1909-10 84, in the other seasons 76.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE—DIVISION II.

Complete Record 1914-15.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Stoke (5)	24	17	3	4	62	15	38
Staybridge C. (—).....	24	17	4	3	47	22	37
Merthyr Town (—).....	24	15	4	5	46	20	35
Swansea Town (4)	24	16	7	1	48	21	33
Coventry City (—).....	24	13	9	2	56	33	28
Ton Pentre (11)	24	11	7	6	42	43	23
Brentford (3)	24	8	9	7	35	45	23
Llanelly (9)	24	10	13	1	39	32	21
Parry (1)	24	6	13	5	30	35	17
Newport County (6).....	24	7	14	3	27	42	17
Pontypridd (7)	24	5	13	6	31	58	16
Mid-Rhondda (8)	24	3	15	6	17	49	12
Ebbw Vale (—)	24	3	20	1	23	88	7

N. B.—The figures within parentheses denote the order of the clubs finishing in 1913-14.

The leading clubs for the last five seasons have been :

Winner.	Second.	Third.
1910-11 Reading (35)	Stoke (35)	Merthyr Town (34)
1911-12 Merthyr Town (41)	Portsmouth (41)	Cardiff City (34)
1912-13 Cardiff City (41)	Southend U. (34)	Swansea Town (31)
1913-14 Croydon Com. (51)	Luton Town (51)	Brentford (44)
1914-15 Stoke (38)	Staleybridge Celtic (37)	Merthyr Town (35)

The maximum points were 44, 52, 48, 60 and 48 respectively.

For more than a decade the championship of the Scottish League has been won either by the Glasgow Celtic or the Glasgow Rangers, and last season the former held pride of place in the table when the tournament was completed, but Heart of Midlothian made a gallant though unsuccessful attempt to remove the honors to Edinburgh. The final table is appended :

THE SCOTTISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Final Record, 1914-15.

	Games.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.	Points.
Celtic (1)	38	30	3	5	91	25	65
Heart of Midlothian (3).....	38	27	4	7	83	32	61
Rangers (2)	38	23	11	4	74	47	50
Greenock Morton (4).....	38	18	8	12	74	48	48
Ayr United (10).....	38	20	10	8	55	40	48
Falkirk (5)	38	16	15	7	48	48	39
Patrick Thistle (15)	38	15	15	8	56	58	38
Hamilton A. (17).....	38	16	16	6	60	55	38
St. Mirren (20)	38	14	16	8	56	65	36
Airdrieonians (6)	38	14	17	7	54	60	35
Hibernians (13)	38	12	15	11	59	66	35
Kilmarnock (2)	38	15	19	4	55	59	34
Dumbarton (19)	38	13	17	8	51	66	34
Aberdeen (14)	38	11	16	11	39	52	33
Dundee (7)	38	12	17	9	43	61	33
Third Lanark (8).....	38	10	16	12	51	57	32
Clyde (9)	38	12	20	6	44	59	30
Motherwell (18)	38	10	18	10	49	66	30
Raith Rovers (11).....	38	9	19	10	53	68	28
Queen's Park (16)	38	4	29	5	27	90	13

N. B.—The figures within parentheses indicate the order of finishing in 1913-14.

The following have been the leading clubs for the last half dozen seasons:

Winner.	Second.	Third.
1909-10 Celtic (54)	Falkirk (52)	Rangers (46)
1910-11 Rangers (52)	Aberdeen (44)	Falkirk (44)
1911-12 Rangers (51)	Celtic (45)	Clyde (42)
1912-13 Rangers (53)	Celtic (49)	Heart of Midlothian (41)
1913-14 Celtic (65)	Rangers (59)	Heart of Midlothian (54)
1914-15 Celtic (65)	Heart of Midlothian (61)	Rangers (50)

The maximum was 68 until 1913-14, when it became 76 points.

There is much more that I might include in this review of the most extraordinary season in football that we have had on this side of the Atlantic, but the will must be taken for the deed. But for the precipitation of the armed conflict upon Europe by Germany we should now be busily engaged in preparing for the Olympic struggle at Berlin next year. The games are now an impossibility, and I anticipate that it will be a long time ere the International Federation will summon all its members together to take counsel as to the world-administration of the pastime. For the time being its operations have been suspended, but I predict that when the map of Europe has been remade in accordance with the wishes and dictates of the Quadruple Entente Powers there will soon be a recrudescence of international activity from which Germany will be excluded for a short or long period as prudence and other considerations may suggest. In the United Kingdom sport will be more popular than ever when war and war's alarms have passed into the Ewigkeit, and soccer, the pastime of democracy, will come into its own again. We shall miss thousands from our playing fields, for they have gone to the bourne whence none return, but their patriotism and their self-sacrifice will ever be a fragrant memory, and a stimulating example to those they left behind. Let their epitaph be that they lived as sportsmen and died as heroes.

R. I. P.



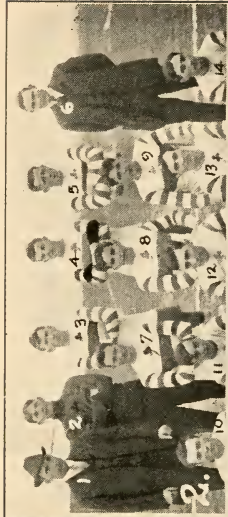
1, Winton E. Barker, President Missouri Soccer Football Association, St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Barker has done more to promote Soccer in the Middle West than any other known person, and is indirectly responsible for the organization of the United States Football Association, and it was through his influence and capital that the Pilgrim Soccer Football Club of England toured this country on two occasions. 2, Wm. J. Klosterman, Manager of St. Leo's Football Club, St. Louis, Mo., 1906-15, one of America's most famous soccer elevens. 3, John H. (King) Finnegan, Manager Columbus Club, Robison Soccer League, St. Louis, Mo. 4, Ben Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; a Mound City enthusiast. 5, H. Hrabetin, British-American Team, Kansas City, Kan. 6, John Logan, Captain Yale (Kan.) Football Club. 7, Wm. A. Foley, Manager Innisfails Football Club of Robison Field Soccer League, St. Louis, Mo. 8, John Tully, Manager Columbian Athletics Soccer Team, St. Louis Soccer League, St. Louis, Mo.



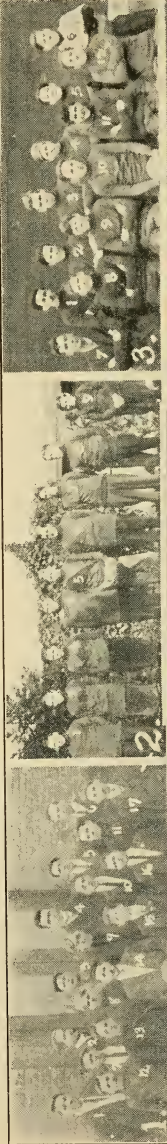
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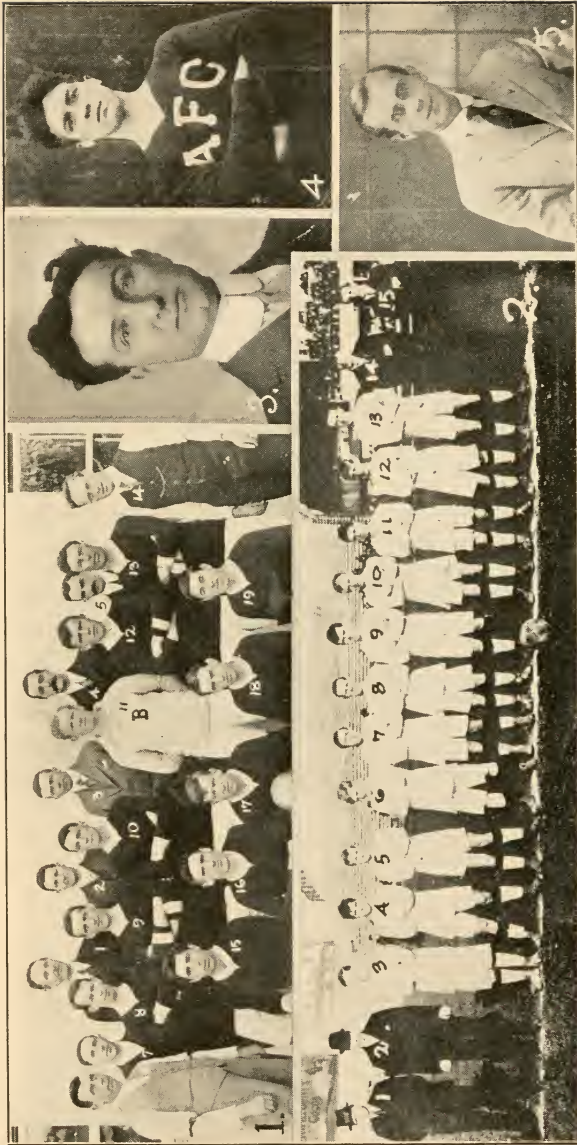
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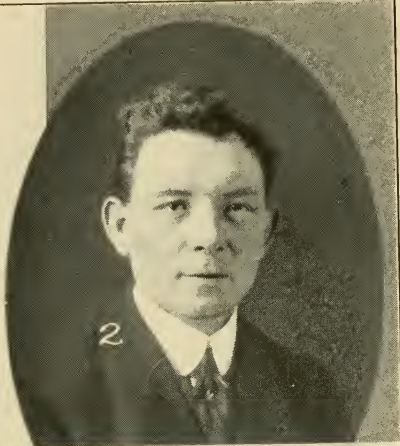
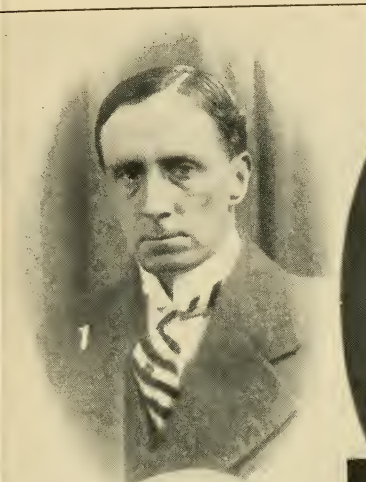
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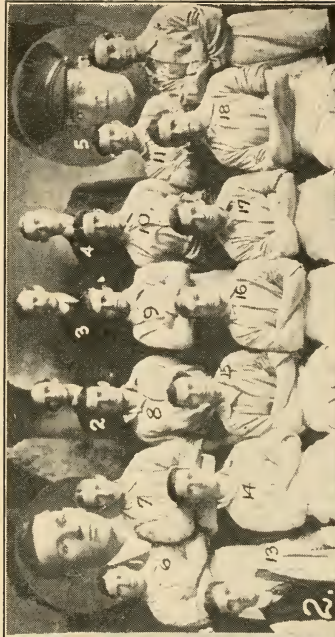
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(1) BARBARIAN FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—1, Lace; 2, T. Wood; 3, Birdsell; 4, Murch; 5, McQuattie; 6, Dick; 7, J. Duncan; 8, Adamson, Vice-Capt.; 9, Hunter; 10, Norbury; 11, Otto; 12, Sharpe; 13, Mackenzie; 14, Kearus; 15, Hudson; 16, Finlayson; 17, R. Wood; 18, A. Duncan, Capt.; 19, Scott. (2) THISTLE FOOTBALL CLUB, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—1, Sutherland; 2, M. S. Morrison, Pres.; 3, Ritchie; 4, Peterson; 5, Bowskill; 6, Roberts; 7, Morrison; 8, Christie; 9, Duncanson; 10, Towns; 11, Hightett; 12, Milne; 13, Kempton; 14, Haliburton; 15, Paterson. (3) Freeman Bassett, Salt Lake City, Utah, President Utah Association Football Union. (4) Will E. Onions, Garfield, Utah, Secretary Utah Association Football Union. (5) Harvey S. Bobe, Los Angeles, Cal., Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Southern California Soccer Association.



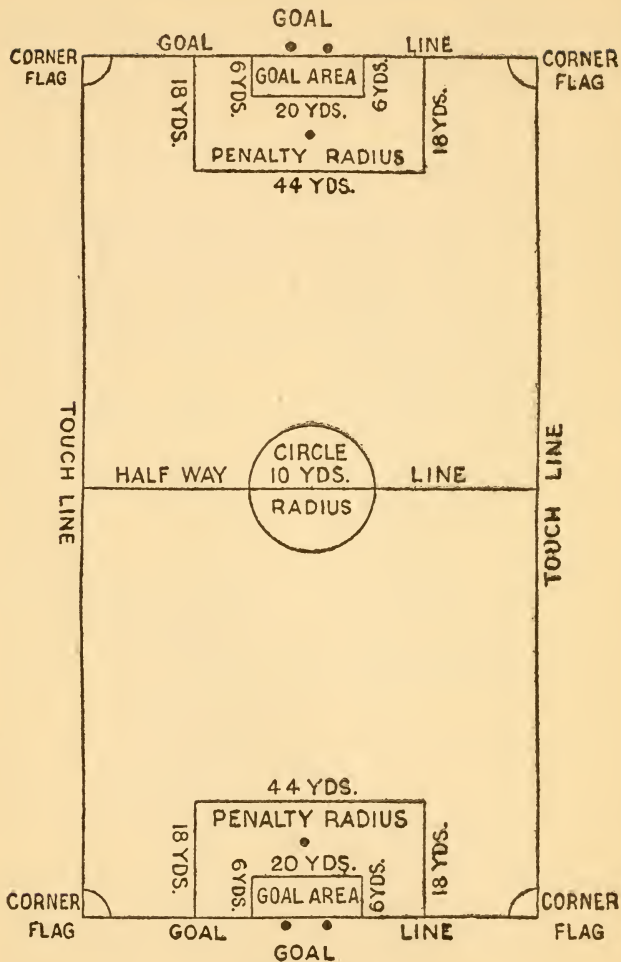
1, H. Craig Campbell, Montreal, Quebec, President Dominion of Canada Football Association. 2, Tom Guthrie, Toronto, Ontario, Vice-President Dominion of Canada Football Association. 3, Ed Spencer, Toronto, Ontario, Secretary-Treasurer Dominion of Canada Football Association. 4, The Tom Robertson Challenge Cup.



(1) DELEGATES TO DOMINION OF CANADA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, AT FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—1, V. H. Jones, New Ontario; 2, M. McLean, Saskatchewan; 3, N. Wilson, Quebec; 4, F. H. Rogers, Manitoba; 5, W. G. Cunningham, Ontario; 6, R. M. Craig, Ontario; 7, E. B. Fisher, Manitoba; 8, H. Craig Campbell, Quebec; 9, H. D. Foster, Manitoba; 10, Tom Robertson, Ontario; 11, Tom Watson, Ontario; 12, H. H. Willcox, New Ontario; 13, The Connaught Cup, (2) WYCHWOOD TEAM, TORONTO, ONT.—Second League Champions; Winners Konyon Charity Cup, (3) LANCASHIRE TEAM, TORONTO, ONT.—Champions Province of Ontario; Champions of Eastern Canada; Runners-up Dominion of Canada; (4) GRAND TRUNK CLUB, MONTREAL, QUE.—Champions Province of Quebec.

Definition of Terms

- Place Kick** A PLACE KICK is a kick at the ball while it is on the ground in the center of the field of play.
- Free Kick** A FREE KICK is a kick at the ball in any direction the player pleases when it is lying on the ground.
- Referee to Signal** A PLACE KICK, a Free Kick, or a Penalty Kick must not be taken until the Referee has given a signal for the same.
- Carrying** CARRYING by the goal-keeper is taking more than two steps while holding the ball, or bouncing it on the hand.
- Knocking on** KNOCKING ON is when a player strikes or propels the ball with his hands or arms.
- Handling** HANDLING AND TRIPPING.—Handling is intentionally playing the ball with the hand or arm, and Tripping is intentionally throwing, or attempting to throw, an opponent by the use of the legs, or by stooping in front of or behind him.
- Tripping**
- Holding** HOLDING includes the obstruction of a player by the hand or any part of the arm extended from the body.
- Touch** TOUCH is that part of the ground on either side of the field of play.



PLAN OF FIELD OF PLAY.
 Referred to in Law 1 of the game.

Laws of the Game

LAW I.

The game should be played by Eleven players on each side. **Number of Players.**

The field of play shall be as shown in the plan on page 114, subject to the following provisions: The dimensions of the field of play shall be—maximum length, 130 yards; minimum length, 100 yards; maximum breadth, 100 yards; minimum breadth, 50 yards. **Dimensions of Field of Play.**

Instructions to Referees.—Refuse to sanction play if danger is likely to accrue to players from the state of the ground. As to the weather, use your own judgment, but do not needlessly spoil sport.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The size 115 yards by 75 yards is the most general.

The field of play shall be marked by boundary lines. The lines at each end are the goal-lines, and the lines at the sides are the touch-lines. The touch-lines shall be drawn at right angles with the goal-lines. A flag with a staff not less than 5 feet high shall be placed at each corner. A half-way line shall be marked out across the field of play. The center of the field of play shall be indicated by a suitable mark, and a circle with a 10 yards radius shall be made around it. **Marking out Ground.**

Official Decisions.—Flag-staffs with pointed tops must not be used.

The touch and goal-lines must not be marked by a V-shaped rut.

(International Board, June 16, 1902.)

Instructions to Referees.—Short flag-staffs are dangerous, hence the minimum height of 5 feet.

The Referee must not allow a corner flag-staff to be removed even for the convenience of the player taking a corner-kick.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The goal-line must be marked out from corner to corner, including the goal.

A half-way line is necessary on all grounds.

See that the one yard area within which the corner kick must be taken is marked out.

The Goals. The goals shall be upright posts fixed on the goal-lines, equi-distant from the corner flag staffs, 8 yards apart, with a bar across them 8 feet from the ground. The maximum width of the goal-posts and the maximum depth of the cross-bar shall be 5 inches.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee must caution any player wilfully displacing flags or goal-posts, or pulling down the bar, and if repeated he should order the offender off the field of play.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The surface of the bars or posts facing the field of play or otherwise must not be more than five inches in width. Tape or any substance not of a rigid nature, must not be used in the place of a bar. Goal nets are strongly recommended.

Have the goal-posts and bars painted white so as to be distinctly seen. Provide light colored corner flags. See that the goal nets are properly pegged down and in order before every match, and that there are no holes or possible openings for the escape of the ball.

Instructions to Players.—Goal-keepers to save a shot or to get hold of the ball sometimes seize the bar and pull it down. Any player wilfully displacing a flag or goal-post, or bar, is guilty of misconduct.

The Goal Area. Lines shall be marked 6 yards from each goal-post at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of 6 yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the goal area. Lines shall be marked 18 yards from each goal-post at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of 18 yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the penalty area. A suitable mark shall be made opposite the center of each goal, 12 yards from the goal-line; this shall be the penalty kick mark.

The Ball. The circumference of the ball shall be not less than 27 inches, nor more than 28 inches. The outer casing of the ball must be of leather, and no material shall be used in the construction of the ball which would constitute a danger to the players.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The ball should be supplied by the home club.

See that the ball is fully inflated, and that there are reserve balls close at hand.

The Spalding Olympic Foot Ball is the Official Foot Ball; correct in weight and measurement, and should be used in all games.

In International matches, the dimensions of the field of play shall be—maximum length, 120 yards; minimum length, 110 yards; maximum breadth, 80 yards; minimum breadth, 70 yards; and at the commencement of the game the weight of the ball shall be from 13 to 15 ounces.

Dimensions of Field of Play and Weight of Ball in International Matches.

Instructions to Referees.—Refers to International Contests only.

LAW II.

The duration of the game shall be 90 minutes, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon.

Duration of Game.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee must allow for time wasted, or lost, through accident or other cause, and it is desirable that the two captains should be informed when such allowance is made.

Unless a Referee is notified to the contrary by the two captains he must under ordinary circumstances continue the game for 90 minutes.

There is no power to set aside the Rules of Cup and other Competitions where the time to be played is specified.

Instructions to Players.—If you wish to play short time the Referee must be notified. This may only be done by the mutual agreement of both captains.

The winners of the toss shall have the option of kick-off or choice of goals.

Choice of Goals.

Instructions to Referees.—Note which side kicked off. (See Instructions to Referees on Law 13.)

The game shall be commenced by a place-kick from the center of the field of play in the direction of the opponents' goal-line; the opponents shall not approach within 10 yards of the ball until it is kicked off, nor shall any player on either side pass the center of the ground in the direction of his opponents' goal until the ball is kicked off.

The Kick-Off.

Official Decisions.—A PLACE-KICK is a kick at the ball while it is on the ground in the center of the field of play.

If this Law is not complied with the kick-off must be taken over again.

(International Board, June 15, 1903.)

Instructions to Referees.—Referees should notice that a free kick must not be awarded for any breach of this Law. It is their duty to see the kick-off properly taken in the direction of the oppo-

site goal; also that back kicking and encroaching must not be allowed.

Any player wilfully encroaching should first be cautioned, and, on a repetition, be ordered off the field of play. After the ball has been properly kicked off, the second and other players may play it in any direction.

If in the opinion of the Referee the ball has not rolled completely over, or traveled the distance of its circumference, *i. e.*, about 27 inches, he must order it back again to be kicked off properly.

The Referee must not allow anyone to kick-off unless he is a player competing in the match. This order does not apply to Charity matches.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The practice of getting an outside person to kick-off in a match is forbidden, except in Charity matches.

Instructions to Players.—Many players, when the whistle sounds for the start, run inside the 10 yards' circle. This is wrong, as the game commences with the kick-off, not with the Referee's signal.

LAW III.

Ends to be
Changed at
Half-Time.
The Interval.
Restarting
Game.

Ends shall only be changed at half-time. The interval at half-time shall not exceed five minutes, except by consent of the Referee. After a goal is scored the losing side shall kick off, and after the change of ends at half-time the ball shall be kicked off by the opposite side from that which originally did so; and always as provided in Law 2.

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee is distinctly authorized to prevent deliberate waste of time. (See Law 13.)

He should use every endeavor to limit the half-time interval to 5 minutes, and not allow his consent to its extension to be assumed as a matter of course.

Instructions to Players.—In competitions where after a drawn game an extra half-hour is necessary, the Captains must toss again for choice of ends, and play must be a quarter of an hour each way.

LAW IV.

How a Goal
is Scored.

Except as otherwise provided by these Laws, a goal shall be scored when the ball has passed between the goal-posts under the bar, not being thrown, knocked on, nor carried by any player of the attacking side.

Official Decisions.—The whole of the ball must have passed over the goal-line, or touch-line, before it is out of play.

KNOCKING ON and carrying are both forms of handling the ball.

Instructions to Referees.—The words “not being thrown” cover a throw-in from touch, so that if a player throws the ball in from touch through the opponents’ goal it would be a goal-kick for the defending side and not a goal.

It is possible for the ball to roll all along the goal-line, and for the greater part of it to be over the line, and yet not pass through the goal. The goal-keeper may be behind the goal-line and yet prevent a goal.

A Referee must under no circumstances allow a goal unless he is absolutely satisfied that it is a goal.

In catching the ball or fisting out, a goal-keeper sometimes allows the ball to pass into goal in mid air, and the Referee may consider that the whole of the ball crosses the line. If so and he is in a good position to judge, he must give a goal.

It is difficult to tell unless one is close up, hence the necessity for the Referee following the ball closely up and down the ground and trying to get a side view whenever he thinks a shot is about to be put in, or there is a scrimmage in front of the goal.

Instructions to Secretaries.—The necessity for the goal-line between the posts being clearly marked is emphasized by the requirements of this Law.

If from any cause during the progress of the game the bar is displaced, the Referee shall have power to award a goal if in his opinion the ball would have passed under the bar if it had not been displaced.

**If Bar
Displaced.**

Instructions to Secretaries.—It is important that secretaries should see that the bars are securely fixed to the posts.

The ball is in play if it rebounds from a goal-post, cross-bar, or a corner flag staff into the field of play. The ball is in play if it touches the Referee or a Linesman when in the field of play.

**If Ball
Rebounds from
Goal-posts, etc.**

Instructions to Referees.—The ball touching the Referee or a Linesman when he is in the field of play is still in play, though it might otherwise have gone into touch or over the goal-line.

Linesmen should follow the game close to the touch-line and keep out of the field of play as much as possible.

The ball is out of play when it has crossed the goal-line or touch-line, either on the ground or in the air.

**Ball Crossing
Lines, Out of
Play.**

Instructions to Referees.—The ball going into

touch in mid air and afterwards alighting in the field of play is out of play.

Instructions to Players.—The ball may roll along the touch-line or goal-line and still be in play. The whole of the ball must have passed over and be clear of the touch-line or goal-line before it is out of play.

LAW V.

The Throw-in When the ball is in touch, a player of the opposite side to that which played it out shall throw it in from the point on the touch-line where it left the field of play. The player throwing the ball must stand on the touch-line facing the field of play, and shall throw the ball in over his head with both hands in any direction, and it shall be in play when thrown in. A goal shall not be scored from a throw-in, and the thrower shall not again play until the ball has been played by another player.

This law is complied with if the player has any part of both feet on the line when he throws the ball in.

Official Decision.—TOUCH is that part of the ground on either side of the field of play.

Instructions to Referees.—The Linesman should point with his flag to the place where the ball went into touch and stand a little behind the thrower to watch the throw-in. If the player does not throw the ball in properly, the Referee must give a free kick. An improper throw would be one delivered over the shoulder, or with one hand giving the impetus and the other merely guiding the ball, or if the thrower had not some part of both feet on the touch line at the moment of throwing, or if the thrower merely dropped the ball and did not throw it. A player throwing-in the ball must face the field of play.

Instructions to Secretaries.—Provide light-colored flags for Linesmen.

Instructions to Players.—The practice of claiming for the throw-in when the ball goes into touch is far too prevalent and is unnecessary.

LET THE LINESMAN GIVE HIS DECISION. All the claiming in the world will not alter it, unless the Referee shall see fit to interfere.

LAW VI.

Off-side. When a player plays the ball, or throws it in from touch, any player of the same side who at such moment of playing or throwing-in is nearer to his

opponents' goal-line is out of play, and may not touch the ball himself, nor in any way whatever interfere with an opponent, or with the play, until the ball has been again played, unless there are at such moment of playing or throwing-in at least three of his opponents nearer their own goal-line. A player is not out of play when the ball is kicked off from goal, when a corner-kick is taken, when the ball has been last played by an opponent, or when he himself is within his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is played or thrown in from touch by any player of the same side.

Official Decisions.—If a player deliberately trips an opponent who is standing in an off-side position within the penalty area, and who does not attempt to play the ball or obstruct, a penalty kick should be awarded.

A flag may be placed opposite the half-way line on each side of the field of play, but it must be at least one yard from the touch-line, and must have a staff not less than 5 feet high.

Instructions to Referees.—A player who is in his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is last played cannot be off-side.

The point to notice is not where a player is when he plays the ball, but where he is at the moment it is played by a player of the same side. In the rush of a game a Referee is apt to lose sight of the positions of the field at every kick, yet he ought to educate himself to intuitively fix each change on his mind. If a player is in line with or behind the ball when it is played he cannot possibly be off-side, but if he is in front of it he is liable to be so. Though a player cannot be off-side when an opponent last plays the ball, or when a corner-kick, or a goal-kick, is taken, this protection ceases the moment a second player plays the ball, so that a player not off-side when a corner-kick is taken, may, without having moved, be off-side as soon as the ball has been played. A player following up another of his own side who has the ball cannot be off-side. Players may be off-side when a free kick or penalty kick is taken, and when the ball is thrown in from touch. An opponent playing the ball puts a player on-side at once, but while standing off-side a player must not interfere in any way with an opponent or with the play. If a player is standing off-side, he is off-side until the ball is next played, even though sufficient opponents fall back to make three between him and their goal line.

The International Board have made it plain that a player, who is in an off-side position, is bound to keep out of the way of the play, and that he is liable to be penalized if in any manner his presence causes any interference with the play.

When the ball is kicked off from either goal no player is off-side.

The provision of flags opposite the half-way line is optional. The object is to assist the Referee and Linesman to determine the position of the half-way line when they are at a distance or when the line has become indistinct.

Instructions to Players.—A player who is in his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is last played cannot be off-side.

A player once off-side cannot put himself on-side. This can only be done for him in three ways:—(1) If an opponent next plays the ball; (2) If he is behind the ball when it is next played by one of his own side; (3) If he has three opponents between him and their goal line when the ball is played by one of his own side further from his opponents' goal than himself.

The ball hitting the goal-post or bar and rebounding does not put a player on-side who was "off-side" when the ball was last played.

Take care that when the ball is played by one of your own side you have three opponents between you and their goal-line or that you are in a line with or behind the ball. Can anything be simpler? If your opponent plays the ball, or the ball touches him in any way, you are on-side no matter where you stand, but when standing off-side you have no right to interfere with an opponent nor to station yourself so near the goal-keeper, or any other opponent, as to hamper his movements, or obstruct his sight of the ball. When a player finds he is in an off-side position it is his duty to keep clear of the play and neither interfere with nor inconvenience an opponent, nor make a pretense of doing so.

LAW VII.

Goal-Kick. When the ball is played behind the goal-line by a player of the opposite side, it shall be kicked off by any one of the players behind whose goal-line it went, within that half of the goal area nearest the

Corner-Kick. point where the ball left the field of play; but, if played behind by any one of the side whose goal-line it is, a player of the opposite side shall kick it from within one yard of the nearest corner flag-staff. In either case an opponent shall not be allowed within ten yards of the ball until it is kicked off.

Official Decision.—The corner flag-staff must not be removed when a corner-kick is taken.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the duty of the Referee to see that goal-kicks are properly taken within that half of the goal area nearest the point where the ball went out.

It is the duty of the Referee to see that corner-kicks are properly taken, and on the side on which the ball goes out.

If the player takes a corner-kick, and the ball rebounds to him after striking the goal-post, he must not play it again until it has been played by another player. Do not allow a goal-kick or corner-kick to be taken while any opponent is within 6 yards of the ball.

Instructions to Secretaries.—See that the corner-kick one yard area is marked.

Instructions to Players.—Opponents should remember that they must not stand within 6 yards of the ball. To do so is the cause of constant annoyance and is not playing the game fairly.

LAW VIII.

The goal-keeper may within his own penalty area, use his hands, but shall not carry the ball. **Goal-keeper Handling.**

Official Decision.—CARRYING by the goal-keeper is taking more than two steps while holding the ball, or bouncing it on the hand.

Instructions to Referees.—The goal-keeper must not "walk about" bouncing the ball on the hand. After the second step he must be penalized.

The goal-keeper must not handle the ball outside his own penalty area.

For "carrying" the ball the penalty is a free kick and not a penalty kick.

The goal-keeper shall not be charged except when he is holding the ball or obstructing an opponent, or when he has passed outside the goal area. **Charging Goal-keeper.**

Instructions to Referees.—If the goal-keeper obstructs an opponent he may be charged even when in his goal area. See that the goal-keeper is not unfairly charged, as he has so little chance of protecting himself when his attention is engaged with a coming shot.

Special notice should be taken of the fact that a goal-keeper may be charged when he is outside the goal area.

Instructions to Players.—The goal-keeper should bear in mind that directly he leaves his goal area he is liable to be charged by an opponent.

So long as a goal-keeper does not stick to the ball, or obstruct an opponent, he is protected under the Laws when within his goal area. Get rid of the ball at once is naturally the best advice that can be given him.

The goal-keeper may be changed during the game, but notice of such change must first be given to the Referee. **Goal-keeper may be Changed.**

Official Decision.—If a goal-keeper has been changed without the Referee being notified, and the new goal-keeper handles the ball within the penalty area, a penalty kick must be awarded. See Law 17.

(International Board, June 17, 1901.)

Instructions to Referees.—Note who commences a game as goal-keeper, and allow no one else to act as goal-keeper, or to claim his privileges, until you have been notified of the change of goal-keeper.

Instructions to Players.—If the goal-keeper who commences the game in that position should be changed during the game the Referee should at once be notified of the fact, and also of any subsequent changes.

LAW IX.

Tripping,
Kicking,
Striking,
Jumping at.

Neither tripping, kicking, striking, nor jumping at a player shall be allowed.

Official Decisions.—TRIPPING is intentionally throwing, or attempting to throw, an opponent by the use of the legs, or by stooping in front of or behind him.

The Laws should be more vigorously enforced by Referees in order to prevent improper conduct, and players who are guilty of it escaping punishment.

Instructions to Referees.—This is an important Law, as by enforcing it and taking the initiative where he sees necessary, a Referee can prevent rough play developing. He can stop the game at any time and give a free kick, or caution, or both, against any player whose conduct or play is dangerous or likely to cause injury. The free kick must be taken from the place where the infringement occurred.

Jumping at an opponent must of necessity be intentional, and this differs from jumping to play the ball.

Instructions to Secretaries.—Bring before the notice of your committee any conduct on the part of a member of your club which is likely to bring the game into disrepute. If persisted in a club ought not to allow any such offender to continue to belong to it, for not only may such conduct bring punishment on the player, but it gives the club a bad name and may lead to a more serious trouble. Use all means in your power to stop the practice of players using bad language, or addressing observations to, or at, the Referee on or off the field.

“Hands.” A player (the goal-keeper, *within his own penalty area*, excepted) shall not intentionally handle the ball.

Official Decisions.—HANDLING is intentionally playing the ball with the hand or arm.

KNOCKING ON is when a player strikes or propels the ball with his hands or arms.

Cases of handling the ball and tripping, pushing, kicking, or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind, may so happen as to be considered unintentional, and when this is so, no offense is committed.

(International Board, June 8, 1912.)

Instructions to Referees.—Note the important fact that it is the intentional breach of Law which must be punished. This must be done promptly and strictly.

Instructions to Players.—Let the Referee give "hands" on his own initiative.

A player shall not use his hands to hold or push an opponent. Holding,
Pushing.

Official Decision.—HOLDING includes the obstruction of a player by the hand or any part of the arm extended from the body.

Instructions to Referees.—Under no circumstances whatever must a player push an opponent with his hands or arms. Using the knee against an opponent is a most dangerous practice and should be severely punished.

Instructions to Players.—Under no circumstances whatever must you push an opponent with your hands or arms, or use the elbow or knee against him.

Charging is permissible, but it must not be violent or dangerous. Charging.

Instructions to Referees.—Charging must not be penalized unless it is violent or dangerous.

Instructions to Players.—Let charging be of the good honest type and not degenerate into rough play.

A player shall not be charged from behind unless he is intentionally obstructing an opponent. Charging
Behind.

Official Decisions.—The offense of charging an opponent from behind is not committed where a player in playing the ball touches a player behind unless there is an intention to charge such player. The Referee is the sole judge of such intention, but it has been noticed that many Referees construe the Law more strictly than is necessary to secure fair play, and in consequence of such decisions the progress of games is unnecessarily interfered with.

If a player turns so as to face his own goal when he is tackled, or is obviously aware that he is about to be tackled by an opponent, he is intentionally obstructing, and may be charged from behind. (International Board, June 8, 1907.)

Referees will be supported in putting down rough play.

Instructions to Referees.—A player may be charged from behind when he is intentionally obstructing an opponent, whether he is facing his own goal or not; but the charging must under no circumstances be violent or dangerous.

Instructions to Players.—Even if your opponent is intentionally obstructing you, you have no right to charge him in a manner likely to do him injury. If players would hustle more and charge less the games would not be so rough and accidents not so frequent.

LAW X.

Free Kick. When a free kick has been awarded, the kicker's opponents shall not approach within *ten* yards of the ball, *until the kick is taken*, unless they are standing on their own goal line. The ball must at least be rolled over before it shall be considered played, i. e., it must make a complete circuit or travel the distance of its circumference. The kicker shall not play the ball a second time until it has been played by another player. The kick-off (except as provided by Law 2), corner-kick, and goal-kick shall be free kicks within the meaning of this Law.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the Referee's duty to see that all free kicks are taken from the proper place and not allow a free kick to be taken until he has given a signal. The usual signal is a whistle.

The free kick must be taken without delay. Nothing slows a game more than wasting time in taking a free kick. It is also unfair to delay, bearing in mind that a free kick awarded for breaches of Law 9 may score a goal direct. If opponents persist in encroaching act promptly and caution them.

The kick must not be allowed if the ball is on the move while it is being taken.

Instructions to Players.—Players must wait for the signal from the Referee before taking the kick-off or free kick.

Opponents must not approach within *ten* yards of the ball till it is kicked.

Players neglecting this instruction are liable to be ordered off the field.

LAW XI.

Free Kick A goal may be scored from a free kick which is
from which awarded because of any infringement of Law 9, but
Goal may be not from any other free kick.
Scored.

Instructions to Referees.—Special notice should be taken of the fact that a goal may be scored direct, whether the ball touches a player of either side or not, if the free kick is awarded for tripping, kicking, jumping at, holding, pushing, violently or dangerously charging an opponent, charging an opponent illegally from behind, or handling the ball (breaches of Law 9). But it must be remembered that a free kick awarded for any other breach of the Laws does not come under this regulation. Note that a goal cannot be scored direct from a kick-off, corner-kick, or goal-kick; or from free kicks awarded for the following breaches of Laws:—

(a) Player playing the ball a second time before it has been played by another player, after throwing-in or taking a free kick or a penalty kick.

(b) Off-side.

(c) Carrying by goal-keeper.

(d) Charging goal-keeper at wrong time, the charging being otherwise fair.

(e) Playing the ball before it has touched the ground after being thrown down.

(f) Ball not kicked forward from a penalty kick.

(g) Improper throw-in.

(h) Dangerous play. Law 13.

Instructions to Players.—Players should remember that a goal may be scored from a free kick imposed for infringements of Law 9.

LAW XII.

A player shall not wear any nails, except such as have their heads driven in flush with the leather, or metal plates or projections, or gutta-percha, on his boots, or on his shin guards. If bars or studs on the soles or heels of the boots are used, they shall not project more than half an inch, and shall have all their fastenings driven in flush with the leather. Bars shall be transverse and flat, not less than half an inch in width, and shall extend from side to side of the boot. Studs shall be round in plan, not less than half an inch in diameter, and in no case conical or pointed. Any player discovered infringing this Law shall be prohibited from taking further part in the match. The Referee shall, if required, examine the players' boots before the commencement of a match, or during the interval.

**Bars, Studs,
Etc.**

Official Decisions.—Wearing soft india-rubber on the soles of boots is not a violation of Law 12.

Semi-circular toe pieces are legal.

Metal toe-plates, though covered with leather, are illegal.

Instructions to Referees.—It is the Referee's duty, if asked, to examine the players' boots before the match, or during the interval. The Referee must order off the field of play for the remainder of the game any player whom, during the progress of the play, he finds wearing:

- (a) Nails not flush with the leather.
- (b) Metal plates or projections.
- (c) Gutta percha on his boots, or on his shin guards.
- (d) Bars on soles or heels of his boots that do not extend from side to side of the boot, that are less than one-half inch wide, more than one-half inch deep, and not transverse and flat.
- (e) Studs on soles or heels of his boots, not round in plan, less than one-half inch in diameter, more than one-half inch deep, and conical or pointed.

During the progress of a game the Referee can enforce this Law without waiting for an appeal. There is no necessity to report this offense.

The Law includes metal clips or buckles, etc., that are dangerous, either on the boots or shin guards.

Instructions to Secretaries.—See that your players are not by ignorance or otherwise infringing this Law. Many of the boots sold ready-made for foot ball are wrongly studded, some are fitted with metal clips for the lace holes and metal toe plates covered with leather, which are very dangerous, as are also projecting buckles on the shin guards.

Instructions to Players.—It is also the duty of the players to see that their boots, etc., are in accordance with this Law, for if the Referee's attention is drawn to the irregularity during the progress of a game, the player may not go and change his boots, but must leave the field altogether, which might be a very serious matter to his side. If doubtful about it ask the Referee before the match, or during the interval, and he is bound to examine the boots. Players sometimes forget that studs wear away exposing the nails, which would make them illegal.

LAW XIII.

**Duties and
Powers of
Referee.**

A Referee shall be appointed, whose duties shall be to enforce the Laws and decide all disputed points; and his decision on points of fact connected with the play shall be final, so far as the result of the game is concerned. He shall also keep a record of the game, and act as timekeeper. In the event of any ungentlemanly behavior on the part of any of

the players, the offender or offenders shall be cautioned, and if any further offense is committed, or in case of violent conduct without any previous caution, the Referee shall order the offending player or players off the field of play, and shall transmit the name or names of such player or players to his or their National Association, who shall deal with the matter. The Referee shall allow for time wasted, lost through accident, or other cause, suspend or terminate the game whenever, by reason of darkness, interference by spectators, or other cause, he may deem necessary; but in all cases in which a game is so terminated he shall report the same to the Association under whose jurisdiction the game was played, who shall deal with the matter. The Referee shall award a free kick in any case in which he thinks the conduct of a player dangerous, or likely to prove dangerous, but not sufficiently so as to justify him in putting in force the greater powers vested in him. The power of the Referee extends to offenses committed when the play has been temporarily suspended, and when the ball is out of play.

Official Decisions.—Any player leaving the field during the progress of a game (except through accident) without the consent of the Referee will be deemed guilty of misconduct, and will render himself liable to be penalized.

Persistent infringement of any of the Laws of the Game is ungentlemanly conduct within the meaning of this Law. (International Board, June 8, 1907.)

All reports by Referees to be made within *TWO* days after the occurrence (Sundays not included), and reports will be deemed to be made when received in the ordinary course of post. (International Board, June 11, 1910.)

Referees may in certain circumstances send their reports to the affiliated Association concerned. See Agreement dated June 17, 1895.

A player who is injured during a match shall be at once removed outside the nearest goal or touch-line, and the game resumed. (International Board, June, 1914.)

It is the duty of the Referee to see that all free kicks, kicks from the goal, and corner-kicks are properly taken.

Without permission of the Referee, no person shall be allowed on the field of play during a match other than the Linesmen and players.

It is misconduct for any Association or club, or any player, official, or member of any Association or club to offer, or attempt to offer, either directly or indirectly, any consideration whatever

to another club, player, or players of any other club, with a view to influence the result of a match. It is misconduct for any club, player or players, to accept any such consideration.

A Linesman is justified by Law 14 in directing the Referee's attention to distinct breaches of the Laws which have come under his notice, and which he is satisfied the Referee could not see, and Referees should confer with the Linesmen in such a case, especially where the Linesmen are neutral.

Instructions to Referees.—The duty of a Referee to order a player off for violent conduct, or after a caution for ungentlemanly behavior, is emphasized by the alteration made in the Law by the International Board in 1909.

The Referee decides everything, the Linesmen being his assistants, whose decisions he can overrule. He must keep the score and also the time, and allow for time wasted, and stop the game as he thinks fit, though in the case of the game abruptly terminating, he is bound to report the fact to the local or National Association within three days.

As regards rough play, the Referee has absolute discretion. Where he considers the conduct of a player dangerous, or likely to cause injury, he must award a free kick. In doing so he must caution the offender, and, if the offense is repeated, order the player off the field of play. In the case of violent conduct, a previous caution is not needed.

Avoid (a).—Discussing or arguing points with players or officials on the field of play.

(b).—Arguing points with players, officials, or press men off the field of play.

(c).—Pointing at, or placing a hand on a player when cautioning him. Check rough play at the outset.

The Referee is recommended to compare watches with the Linesmen, prior to the game and at half-time.

The Referee should be very careful in deducting time for stoppages, etc. He should blow his whistle for time or half-time at the exact moment, whether the ball is in play or not. The only case in which time can be extended is that of a penalty kick.

Referees are strongly recommended not to trust to memory alone to keep a record of the game, but to note on paper the time of start and the time at which they would in the ordinary course call half-time or time. They may then easily add to it for wilful delays, or stoppages of the game. The goals scored by each side in the order of occurrence should also be noted.

Instructions to Players.—It is impossible for a Referee to please everybody. Remember his difficult position and do not make it more so.

If any disturbance arises go at once to the help of the Referee.

Betting is prohibited.

LAW XIV.

Two Linesmen shall be appointed, whose duty (subject to the decision of the Referee) shall be to decide when the ball is out of play, and which side is entitled to the corner-kick, goal-kick, or throw-in; and to assist the Referee in carrying out the game in accordance with the Laws. In the event of any undue interference or improper conduct by a Linesman, the Referee shall have power to order him off the field of play and appoint a substitute, and report the circumstances to the National Association having jurisdiction over him, who shall deal with the matter.

Duties and Powers of Linesmen.

Official Decisions.—Linesmen where neutral should call the attention of the Referee to rough play or ungentlemanly conduct, and generally assist him to carry out the game in a proper manner.

Linesmen where neutral may be asked by the Referee to give an opinion on the ball crossing the goal-line between the posts.

A player shall not act as Linesman or Referee during suspension.

A Linesman is justified by Law 14 in directing the Referee's attention to distinct breaches of the Law which have come under his notice, and which he is satisfied the Referee could not see, and Referees should confer with the Linesmen in such a case, especially where the Linesmen are neutral.

Instructions to Referees.—Linesmen must signal when the ball is out of play, and indicate which side is entitled to the corner-kick, goal-kick, or throw-in. They must also call the attention of the Referee to rough play or ungentlemanly conduct, and must give their opinion on any point on which the Referee may consult them.

If they notice any breach of the Laws that has escaped the Referee's attention it is their duty to inform him of it.

The Referee has power to order a Linesman off the field for undue interference or improper conduct and to appoint a substitute. This authority should only be exercised in extreme cases, as a warning will probably be sufficient.

LAW XV.

In the event of a supposed infringement of the Laws, the ball shall be in play until a decision has been given.

Ball in Play until Decision given.

Instructions to Referees.—The ball is in play until the whistle sounds, but the Referee should decide promptly. If in doubt consult the Linesmen.

If the Referee declines to accept an appeal a shake of the head, or the words "play on" may sometimes be used with advantage.

When the Referee has once given his decision and play has been resumed, he must not alter it.

Instructions to Players.—Don't stop playing till the whistle sounds, and the decision once given don't importune the Referee to reverse it, or annoy him by remarks.

LAW XVI.

Re-starting the
Game after
Temporary
Suspension.

In the event of any temporary suspension of play from any cause, the ball not having gone into touch or behind the goal-line, the Referee shall drop the ball where it was when play was suspended, and it shall be in play when it has touched the ground. If the ball goes into touch or behind the goal-line before it is played by a player, the Referee shall again drop it. The players on either side shall not play the ball until it has touched the ground.

Instructions to Referees.—If the game is stopped by reason of a player being hurt, or for any other cause (not being half-time or time) where there is no penalty attached, the Referee must throw the ball down where it was when play was suspended. No player is allowed to play the ball until it has reached the ground. Should the ball be touched before it reaches the ground, a free kick must be awarded to the opposite side.

If the ball goes into touch or behind the goal-line before it is played by a player, the Referee must again throw the ball down.

Instructions to Players.—A player is not allowed to play the ball until it has touched the ground.

LAW XVII.

Free kick. In the event of any infringement of Laws 5, 6, 8, 10, or 16, or of a player being sent off the field under Law 13, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposite side, from the place where the infringement occurred.

Official Decisions.—A FREE KICK is a kick at the ball in any direction the player pleases, when it is lying on the ground. A place kick, a free kick, or a penalty kick must not be taken until the Referee has given a signal for the same.

Cases of handling the ball, and tripping, pushing, kicking or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind may so happen as to be

considered unintentional, and when this is so, no penalty must be awarded. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

Instructions to Referees.—The Referee should refrain from awarding a free kick if it is to the advantage of the side offended against to allow the play to go on.

Again the Referee is reminded of the fact that it is the intentional breach of Law which must be punished.

Instructions to Players.—The Referee should refrain from awarding a free kick if it is to the advantage of the side offended against to allow the play to go on.

In the event of any intentional infringement of Law 9 outside the penalty area, or by the attacking side within the penalty area, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposite side from the place where the infringement occurred. In the event of any intentional infringement of Law 9 by the defending side within the penalty area, the Referee shall award the opponents a penalty kick which shall be taken from the penalty kick mark under the following conditions: All players, with the exception of the player taking the penalty kick and the opponents' goal-keeper shall be outside the penalty area. The opponents' goal-keeper shall not advance beyond his goal line. The ball must be kicked forward. The ball shall be in play when the kick is taken, and a goal may be scored from a penalty kick; but the ball shall not be again played by the kicker until it has been played by another player. If necessary, time of play shall be extended to admit of the penalty kick being taken. A free kick shall also be awarded to the opposite side if the ball is not kicked forward, or is played a second time by the player who takes the penalty kick until it has been played by another player. The Referee may refrain from putting the provisions of this Law into effect in cases where he is satisfied that by enforcing them he would be giving an advantage to the offending side. If when a penalty kick is taken the ball passes between the goal-posts, under the bar, the goal shall not be nullified by reason of any infringement by the defending side.

Official Decisions.—Unless the penalty kick is taken in accordance with the Law, the Referee must order the ball back until it is properly taken.

If, on taking a penalty kick, the ball rebounds

from the goal posts or bar, and the kicker plays it a second time, a free kick must be awarded.

The penalty kick can only be awarded for the following eight offenses, intentionally committed by a player of the defending side within the penalty area:

1. Tripping an opponent.
2. Kicking an opponent.
3. Jumping at an opponent.
4. Handling the ball.
5. Holding an opponent.
6. Pushing an opponent.
7. Charging an opponent violently or dangerously.
8. Charging an opponent from behind.

Cases of handling the ball, and tripping, pushing, kicking or holding an opponent, and charging an opponent from behind may so happen as to be considered unintentional, and when this is so, no penalty must be awarded. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

If a player deliberately trips an opponent who is standing in an off-side position within the penalty area, and who does not attempt to play the ball or obstruct, a penalty kick should be awarded.

A penalty kick can be awarded irrespective of the position of the ball at the time the offense is committed. (International Board, June 16, 1902.)

If a goal-keeper has been changed without the Referee being notified, and the new goal-keeper handles the ball within the penalty area, a penalty kick must be awarded. (International Board, June 17, 1901.)

In the event of the ball touching the goal-keeper before passing between the posts, when a penalty kick is being taken at the expiration of time, a goal is scored. (International Board, June 17, 1901.)

The Laws of the Game are intended to provide that games should be played with as little interference as possible, and in this view it is the duty of Referees not to give penalties for technical or supposed breaches. Constant whistling or trifling and doubtful breaches produces bad feeling and loss of temper on the part of the players and spoils the pleasure of spectators.

Instructions to Referees.—Extending the arms to keep an opponent back, though not actually catching hold of him with the hand, is considered to be holding.

Should the ball hit the goal-post or bar and rebound into play, the player who played it must not play it again until it has been played by another player. Should he do so a free kick must be given against him.

The goal-keeper, defending a penalty kick, must not advance beyond his goal line.

Until the Referee has satisfied himself that the players are in their proper positions he should not give a signal for the kick to be taken. Any player

wilfully encroaching should first be cautioned and on a repetition be ordered off the field of play. A penalty kick can be taken after time has expired.

Once more the Referee is reminded that it is the intentional breach of Law that must be punished.

The Referee must withhold the award of a penalty kick if he considers it would be to the advantage of the side offended against to let the play go on.

When a goal results from a penalty kick, it shall not be nullified although there may have been an infringement of Law by the defending side.

It is a common fault of Referees that, when players have committed offenses for which they should have been ordered off the field of play, a penalty kick only has been awarded. The awarding of a penalty kick does not free a Referee from the duty of also ordering the offender off the field of play, where the offense is such as justifies this.

Instructions to Players.—Players are not required to stand behind the ball, but may take up their position anywhere outside the penalty area, but within the field of play.

There is a practice of players yelling or making other noises with the object of putting either the goal-keeper or the kicker at a disadvantage. Be gentlemen and treat your opponents as such.

Players must wait for the Referee's signal before taking the penalty kick.

A player may not rush in from his place outside the penalty area until the ball has been kicked. If he does so he may be cautioned, and on repeating the offense be ordered off the field of play.

The kick must be forward.

Though a penalty kick may be deserved, the Referee is empowered not to enforce it, if to do so would benefit the offenders. Also if a penalty kick is awarded, and scores, the Referee must ignore any infringement by the defenders, and let the goal stand.

Advice to Young Players and How to Act in Case of Accident

Take care of the feet. Don't wear badly-made or ill-fitting shoes.

Use bars on the soles for hard grounds, and studs for heavy grounds. Permanganate of potash is a fine thing for troublesome feet, which should be frequently bathed in a solution of permanganate.

In case of accident, should there be any suspicion of broken bones, don't risk lifting the player off the ground. Wait until someone comes who understands what should be done.

Bruises and contusions should never be rubbed—there is internal bleeding, and the rubbing does harm. Nothing beats bran poultices.

Always give an injury its proper chance to recover. The player of doubtful soundness often handicaps his side.

Don't bother much about embrocations, which are generally irritants. Massage the leg muscles with olive oil.

Keep fit, play the game in cool-headed fashion, and fewer accidents will happen.

My experience is that the youth of the present day do not, as a rule, take care of their feet as they ought to. I have seen a promising young player ruin his chances of future success and fame by the fact that he was playing in badly made and ill-fitting shoes.

Ordinary, as well as football shoes should be made to measure, and then, perhaps, we should see and hear less of corns, bunions, sweaty feet and other ailments to which the athlete seems heir.

Football shoes should be ordered some weeks before they are required, and only from a maker of repute. First of all, they should be pulled on the bare foot, and if they fit tightly all around, then they are likely to become a good fit. Especial care should be taken that they are not too small, else the wearer will get to know about it when he comes to play on a hard ground, by not only crippling himself, but by the loss of his toe nails. If the shoes fit tightly, but not unduly so, on the bare foot, they should be worn for a night or two without stockings. Next, a thin pair of socks may be tried, and so on, until one can wear them comfortably with the ordinary football stocking.

Football shoes require a lot of care, especially in wet weather. Immediately after they have been used, they should be carefully cleaned, then stretched and carefully laid away to gradually dry. The manner of studding a shoe plays a most important part in its longevity or usefulness. Where the grounds are hard, thin bars should be used, but if there is plenty of grass, studs are the best. Football shoes should, at least once a month, be given a rub inside (not outside) with castor oil or dubbin.

In the earlier and latter parts of the season, when the grounds are hard, almost every player complains about his feet being hot and blistered. This somewhat painful experience can be obviated if the player would literally smear the outside of his stockings, previous to pulling on his shoes, with vaseline.

Sweaty feet and soft corns between the toes are another of those bugbears to which the footballer is very much subject. This trouble can be mitigated if a player will exercise a certain amount of care, especially by keeping the feet absolutely clean, frequently changing the socks, and for a time before retiring to bed, bathing the feet in water into which a teaspoonful of permanganate of potash has been dissolved. For soft corns, a little plug of cotton between the offending toes will soon effect a cure.

IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS.

Before concluding the article, I would like to touch lightly, and, if possible, to give some useful hints in connection with the various accidents which are generally to be met with on the field of play. First of all, I would warn my young friends to be careful before lifting an unfortunate comrade who has been put hors de combat. Care should be taken that no bones are broken, because very many simple accidents are aggravated by this supposed kindness. If, on the other hand, the player is only winded, then there cannot be any harm done by lifting him off the grounds.

Where, however, there is any suspicion of broken bones, it is best to allow the player to lie, even supposed the ground was wet, until someone comes who understands what should be done.

Another common practice is to rub or massage all kinds of injuries, no doubt under the mistaken idea that rubbing eases the pain. It ought to be common knowledge that where there is a bruise or contusion, and the skin is not broken, there must be internal bleeding, and if there is internal bleeding, the rubbing is not likely to stop it.

The correct thing is to have a cold lotion, such as a lead and opium pad, applied as soon as possible, and then when the injured lad gets home, either foment the part with hot water, or, better still, apply bran poultice. Massage of any kind should not, under these circumstances, be indulged in for at least a couple of days, so as to allow the injured internal tissues to heal. Bran poultices are indeed the footballer's friend. The mistake that the young player usually makes, when he has sustained an injury, such as a sprained ankle or knee, is that he does not give such injury the rest which it requires.

Almost every trainer has his own special embrocation for massaging and each in their own way have their merits. Some believe in embrocation and others will not have it at all. For injuries, where the skin is unbroken, the best oil for massaging is castor oil and chloroform in equal parts. For massaging the muscles olive oil is very good, and once a week the player should, if possible, get a good massage, especially on the leg muscles. The breaking down of thigh muscles is a frequent and painful experience and generally occurs when the grounds are sticky. Strapping with plaster for a few days and absolute rest to be followed by bran poultices, it generally takes about six weeks for this injury to get right.

Sprains are the result of straining or tearing of ligaments, and are generally caused by the sudden twisting of a joint. The first signs are acute pain, followed by swelling, due to the rupture of blood vessels. As soon as possible a cold, evaporated lotion pad should be applied, and continued for every four hours for twenty-four, by which time the internal bleeding should have stopped. Then heat, in the shape of bran poultices, should be applied. Gentle massage can be commenced after the third day.

Cuts should always receive attention. See these are properly cleaned with some antiseptic lotion, and then apply some dressing of lintboric.

One could fill a book with the things that happen to the footballer in the course of play, but in the foregoing article, I think that I have summarized the most common of the injuries and methods of treatment which will succeed. In conclusion, to the young player I will say—keep fit, play the game, and you will find that often a good means of preventing injury is cool headedness and sportsmanship on both sides. But accidents will happen, and the undoubted risks in the game of football are, I believe, quite one of its charms to a lot of players.

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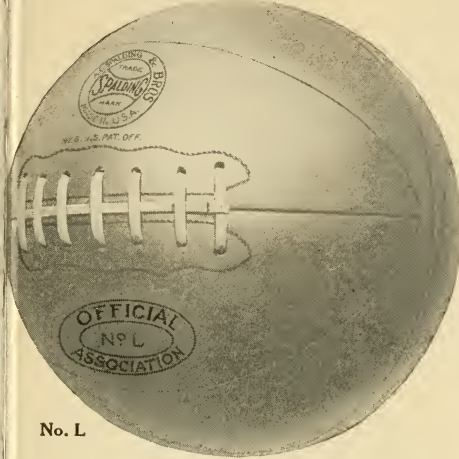
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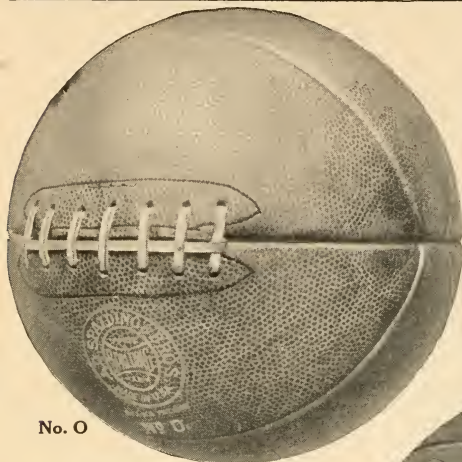
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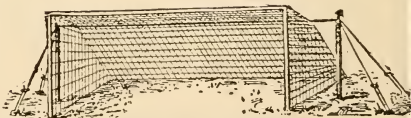
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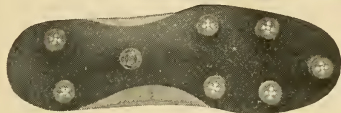
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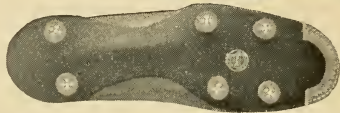
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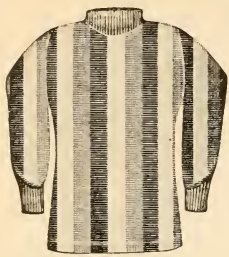
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- No. D. Same as No. V, but with sash across front and back. Special order only; not carried in stock. Each, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*
- No. 602. Good quality worsted, plain solid colors; full sleeves, no collar. Special order only; not carried in stock. Each, **\$2.25** ★ *\$24.00 Doz.*
- No. 6FS. Sanitary cotton, with 6-inch stripe around chest. Special order only; not carried in stock. Each, **75c.** ★ *\$8.10 Doz.*
- No. 4. Flannel Soccer Shirt. Good quality flannel. Either button or laced front. Great variety of colors. Samples of colors of flannels sent on application. Each, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*

Spalding Flannel Knickerbockers

Special laced back and fly front. Samples of colors of flannels sent on application.

- No. 3A. Fine quality flannel. Unpadded. Great variety of colors. Pair, **\$2.25** ★ *\$24.30 Doz.*
- No. F. Good quality Gray or Navy Blue flannel. Unpadded. Pair, **\$2.00** ★ *\$21.60 Doz.*
- No. 4A. Good quality flannel. Unpadded. Assortment of colors. Pair, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz.*
- No. 5A. Flannel; well made. Unpadded. Various colors. " **1.50** ★ *16.20 Doz.*
- No. 4. White, Black or Gray silesta; fly front; laced. " **.50** ★ *5.40 "*



COLORS: The following comprise regular colors supplied in Nos. V, VL, D, 602 and 6FS Shirts, and Nos. SBS and SCS Skull Caps.

Gray	White	Cardinal	Dark Green	Yellow
Orange	Maroon	Navy Blue	Irish Green	Seal Brown
Black	Scarlet	Royal Blue	Purple	Old Gold

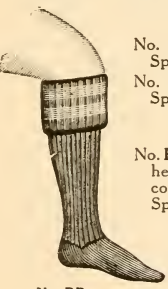
Spalding Skull Caps

- No. SBS. Worsted, heavy weight, striped alternate or solid colors. Special orders only. Any colors. Each, **75c.**
- No. SCS. Worsted, light weight, striped alternate, or solid colors. Special orders only. Any colors. Each, **50c.**



Spalding "Soccer" Stocking

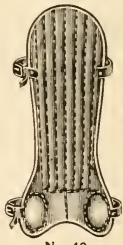
- No. RR. With turn-over, striped. Good quality worsted, with mercerized cotton feet, legs heavy ribbed. Solid legs of any color with another color for cuffs, or striped cuffs. Not carried in stock. Special orders only. Pair, **\$1.10** ★ *\$12.00 Doz. pairs*



No. RR

Spalding Association Foot Ball Shin Guards

- No. 40. Leather covered, well padded, with real rattan reeds and cotton felt; ankle pads and leather straps. 11 inches long. Pair, **\$1.75** ★ *\$18.90 Doz. pairs*
- No. F. Canvas cover, similar in style otherwise to No. 40. Pair, **\$1.00** ★ *\$10.80 Doz. pairs*
- No. G. Canvas covered, no ankle pads, real reed padding and leather tongue, no straps; worn inside stockings. Pair, **50c.** ★ *\$5.40 Doz. pairs*



No. 40



No. G

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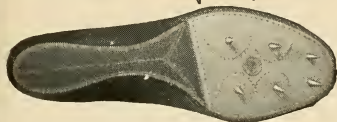
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Spalding "Olympic Championship" Running and Jumping Shoes

All of these shoes are hand made. Finest kangaroo leather uppers and best white oak leather soles.



No. 3-0



No. 2-0

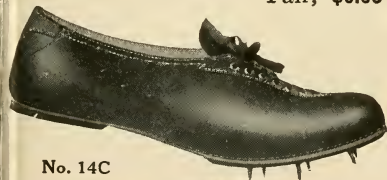


Spalding "Monitor" Sprint Running Shoes Patent applied for.

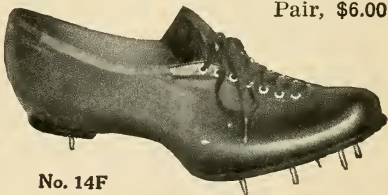
No. 3-0. Lightest running shoe made. Hand made spikes. Especially for 100 and 220 yards races. Strictly bench made throughout. Pair, \$6.00

Spalding "Olympic Championship" Short Distance Running Shoes

No. 2-0. Extremely light and glove fitting. Hand made steel spikes. For short distances, especially 440 and 880 yards and one mile races. Pair, \$6.00



No. 14C



No. 14F



Spalding "Olympic Championship" Long Distance Running Shoes

No. 14C. For long distance races on athletic tracks. Electric heels, flexible shanks. Hand made steel spikes in soles. No spikes in heels. Pair, \$5.00

Spalding "Olympic Championship" Hurdling Shoes

No. 14F. Made on same last as our Sprint Running Shoes. Hand made steel spikes. Perfect shoes for hurdling. To order only. Not carried in stock. Pair, \$6.00

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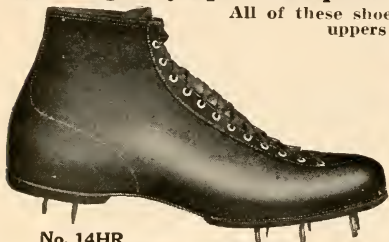


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No. 14HR



No. 14H

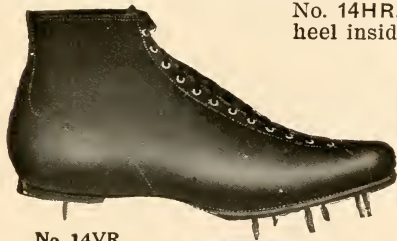


Spalding "Olympic Championship" Jumping Shoes

No. 14H. Specially stiffened soles. Hand made steel spikes placed as suggested by champion jumpers. Also correct shoes for shot putting, weight and hammer throwing.

Pair, \$6.00

No. 14HR. High cut; style of 14H, but rubber heel inside to take off jar. . . . Pair, \$7.50



No. 14VR



No. 14W



Spalding "Olympic Championship" Pole Vaulting Shoes

No. 14VR. High cut special last. Same as we supply to the record holders. Hand made steel spikes in soles; one spike in heels. Rubber heel inside to take off jar. To order only. Not carried in stock. Pair \$7.00. On special orders we will supply Pole Vaulting Shoes with one high and one low cut shoe at no extra charge.

Spalding "Olympic Championship" Walking Shoes

No. 14W. For competition and match races. Pair, \$5.00

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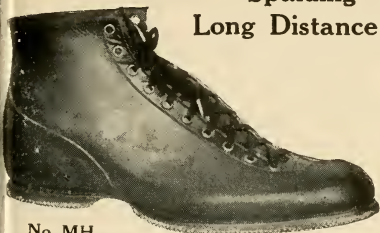


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Spalding **MARATHON**
Macaroni

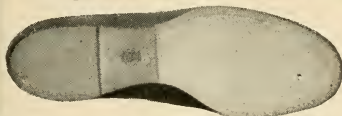
Long Distance Running Shoes



No. MH



No. MO



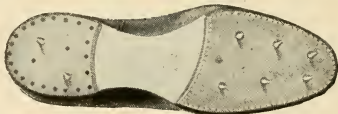
No. MH. High cut but light in weight. Well finished inside so as not to hurt the feet in a long race. Special leather soles, will not wear smooth; light leather heels; black calfskin uppers. Hand sewed. Pair, \$5.00
No. MO. Low cut. Blucher style. Otherwise same as No. MH. " 5.00



No. 10



No. 14J



Spalding
Outdoor Running Shoes

Spalding
Outdoor Jumping Shoes

No. 10. Fine quality calfskin; light in weight. Bench made. Steel spikes. Pair, \$5.00 ★ \$54.00 Doz.

No. 14J. Calfskin; machine made. Satisfactory quality; durable. Steel spikes. Pair \$4.50 ★ \$48.00 Doz.

The uppers of all Running and Jumping Shoes should be kept soft and pliable by using Spalding "Dri-Foot" Preparation. Can, 15 cents.
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Spalding Athletic Hammers

No. 16BH. Spalding "Official Olympic" Brass Shell Head 16-lb. Hammer (Pat'd Aug. 20, 1912), including ball-bearing swivel (Pat'd May 15, 1900). Supplied regularly with double triangle wire grip (Pat'd Dec. 22, 1914).
Each, \$7.00



No. 16IHB. 16-lb. Solid Iron Head Hammer, including Ball bearing swivel (Pat'd May 15, 1900), double triangle wire grip.
Each, \$4.00

No. 12IHB. 12-lb. Solid Iron Head Hammer, otherwise same as No. 16IHB.
Each, \$3.50

No. 12BH. 12-lb. Brass Shell Head Hammer, otherwise same as No. 16BH. Ea., \$6.50

No. 8IH. 8-lb. Solid Iron Head Hammer without ball-bearing swivel. Double triangle grip. Ea., \$2.50

Extra Handles for Athletic Hammers



No. MG. Single Grip Style (see cut). Used by many prominent throwers. Supplied separately with wire handle. . . Each, \$2.00
No. FH. Double Triangle Grip, complete with iron handle, furnished separately. Each, 75c

No. MG Any regular Spalding Hammer listed above furnished with No. MG grip instead of double triangle style on special order, at an extra charge of \$1.25

Leather Case for Athletic Hammers

No. L. Leather Case, to hold either 12 or 16-lb. hammers. . . . Each, \$2.00

Spalding "Official Olympic" Circles

No. 9. 7 Foot Diameter Circle. The shot and weights are thrown from this size circle. Three sections, band iron, painted white. . . Each, \$10.00



No. 19. 8 Foot 2 inch Diameter Circle. For throwing discus. Three sections, band iron, painted white. Each, \$10.00

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Spalding Athletic Shot

	No. 16BS.	Spalding "Official Olympic" Brass Shell Shot.	16-lb.	
		(Patented August 20, 1912).	Each,	\$6.00
	No. 12BS.	12-lb. Brass Shell.	"	5.00
	No. 16IS.	16-lb. Solid Iron.	"	1.75
No.	12IS.	12-lb. Solid Iron.	"	1.50
No.	24LS.	24-lb. Solid Lead.	"	6.00
No.	24IS.	24-lb. Solid Iron.	"	5.00
No.	8IS.	8-lb. Solid Iron.	"	1.25
No.	5IS.	5-lb. Solid Iron.	"	1.00
No.	26.	8-lb. Leather covered.	"	5.00
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Regulation 56-lb. Weight

No. 2. Used and endorsed by all weight throwers. Lead.
Packed in box, guaranteed correct in weight.
Complete, \$15.00

Tambourine

No. 1. Required when throwing 56-lb. weight for height.
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Spalding Indoor Athletic Shot—Rubber Covered

Patented December, 1905

Scientifically made; perfectly round; gives fine grip; has proper resiliency when it comes in contact with floor; wears longer than ordinary leather covered; lead dust will not sift out; always full weight.

No. P.	16-lb.	Rubber covered.	Each,	\$12.00
No. Q.	12-lb.	Rubber covered.	"	10.00

Spalding Indoor Shot—Leather Covered

Method of construction prevents loss of weight even when used constantly.

No. 3.	12-lb.	Leather covered.	Each,	\$6.50
No. 4.	16-lb.	Leather covered.	"	7.50



Spalding Athletic Implements are best—First, because we have decided that no trouble or expense will be spared in their manufacture. Second, because we really know how to make them to give best results, and Third, because we have the special skilled workman and the machinery, tools, etc., necessary in the manufacture of special implements of this description.

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Standard Policy

A Standard Quality must be inseparably linked to a Standard Policy.

Without a definite and Standard Mercantile Policy, it is impossible for a Manufacturer to long maintain a Standard Quality.

To market his goods through the jobber, a manufacturer must provide a profit for the jobber as well as for the retail dealer. To meet these conditions of Dual Profits, the manufacturer is obliged to set a proportionately high list price on his goods to the consumer.

To enable the glib salesman, when booking his orders, to figure out attractive profits to both the jobber and retailer, these high list prices are absolutely essential; but their real purpose will have been served when the manufacturer has secured his order from the jobber, and the jobber has secured his order from the retailer.

However, these deceptive high list prices are not fair to the consumer, who does not, and, in reality, is not ever expected to pay these fancy list prices.

When the season opens for the sale of such goods, with their misleading but alluring high list prices, the retailer begins to realize his responsibilities, and grapples with the situation as best he can, by offering "special discounts," which vary with local trade conditions.

Under this system of merchandising, the profits to both the manufacturer and the jobber are assured; but as there is no stability maintained in the prices to the consumer, the keen competition amongst the local dealers invariably leads to a demoralized cutting of prices by which the profits of the retailer are practically eliminated.

This demoralization always reacts on the manufacturer. The jobber insists on lower, and still lower, prices. The manufacturer, in his turn, meets this demand for the lowering of prices by the only way open to him, viz.: the cheapening and degrading of the quality of his product.

The foregoing conditions became so intolerable that 16 years ago, in 1899, A. G. Spalding & Bros. determined to rectify this demoralization in the Athletic Goods Trade, and inaugurated what has since become known as "The Spalding Policy."

"The Spalding Policy" eliminates the jobber entirely, so far as Spalding Goods are concerned, and the retail dealer secures the supply of Spalding Athletic Goods direct from the manufacturer by which the retail dealer is assured a fair and legitimate profit on all Spalding Athletic Goods, and the consumer is assured a Standard Quality and is protected from imposition.

"The Spalding Policy" is decidedly for the interest and protection of the users of Athletic Goods, and acts in two ways:

First.—The user is assured of genuine Official Standard Athletic Goods.

Second.—As manufacturers, we can proceed with confidence in purchasing at the proper time, the very best raw materials required in the manufacture of our various goods, well ahead of their respective seasons, and this enables us to provide the necessary quantity and absolutely maintain the Spalding Standard of Quality.

All retail dealers handling Spalding Athletic Goods are requested to supply consumers at our regular printed catalogue prices—neither more nor less—the same prices that similar goods are sold for in our New York, Chicago and other stores.

All Spalding dealers, as well as users of Spalding Athletic Goods, are treated exactly alike, and no special rebates or discriminations are allowed to anyone.

This briefly, is "The Spalding Policy," which has already been in successful operation for the past 16 years, and will be indefinitely continued.

In other words, "The Spalding Policy" is a "square deal" for everybody.

A. G. SPALDING & BROS.

By *A. G. Spalding*
PRESIDENT.

Standard Quality

An article that is universally given the appellation "Standard" is thereby conceded to be the criterion, to which are compared all other things of a similar nature. For instance, the Gold Dollar of the United States is the Standard unit of currency, because it must legally contain a specific proportion of pure gold, and the fact of its being Genuine is guaranteed by the Government Stamp thereon. As a protection to the users of this currency against counterfeiting and other tricks considerable money is expended in maintaining a Secret Service Bureau of Experts. Under the law, citizen manufacturers must depend to a great extent upon Trade-Marks and similar devices to protect themselves against counterfeit products—without the aid of "Government Detectives" or "Public Opinion" to assist them.

Consequently the "Consumer's Protection" against misrepresentation and "inferior quality" rests entirely upon the integrity and responsibility of the "Manufacturer."

A. G. Spalding & Bros. have, by their rigorous attention to "Quality," for thirty-nine years, caused their Trade-Mark to become known throughout the world as a Guarantee of Quality as dependable in their field as the U. S. Currency is in its field.

The necessity of upholding the Guarantee of the Spalding Trade-Mark and maintaining the Standard Quality of their Athletic Goods, is, therefore, as obvious as is the necessity of the Government in maintaining a Standard Currency.

Thus each consumer is not only insuring himself but also protecting other consumers when he assists a Reliable Manufacturer in upholding his Trade-Mark and all that it stands for. Therefore, we urge all users of our Athletic Goods to assist us in maintaining the Spalding Standard of Excellence, by insisting that our Trade-Mark be plainly stamped on all athletic goods which they buy, because without this precaution our best efforts towards maintaining Standard Quality and preventing fraudulent substitution will be ineffectual.

Manufacturers of Standard Articles invariably suffer the reputation of being high-priced, and this sentiment is fostered and emphasized by makers of "inferior goods," with whom low prices are the main consideration.

A manufacturer of recognized Standard Goods, with a reputation to uphold and a guarantee to protect must necessarily have higher prices than a manufacturer of cheap goods, whose idea of and basis of a claim for Standard Quality depends principally upon the eloquence of the salesman.

We know from experience that there is no quicksand more unstable than poverty in quality—and we avoid this quicksand by Standard Quality.

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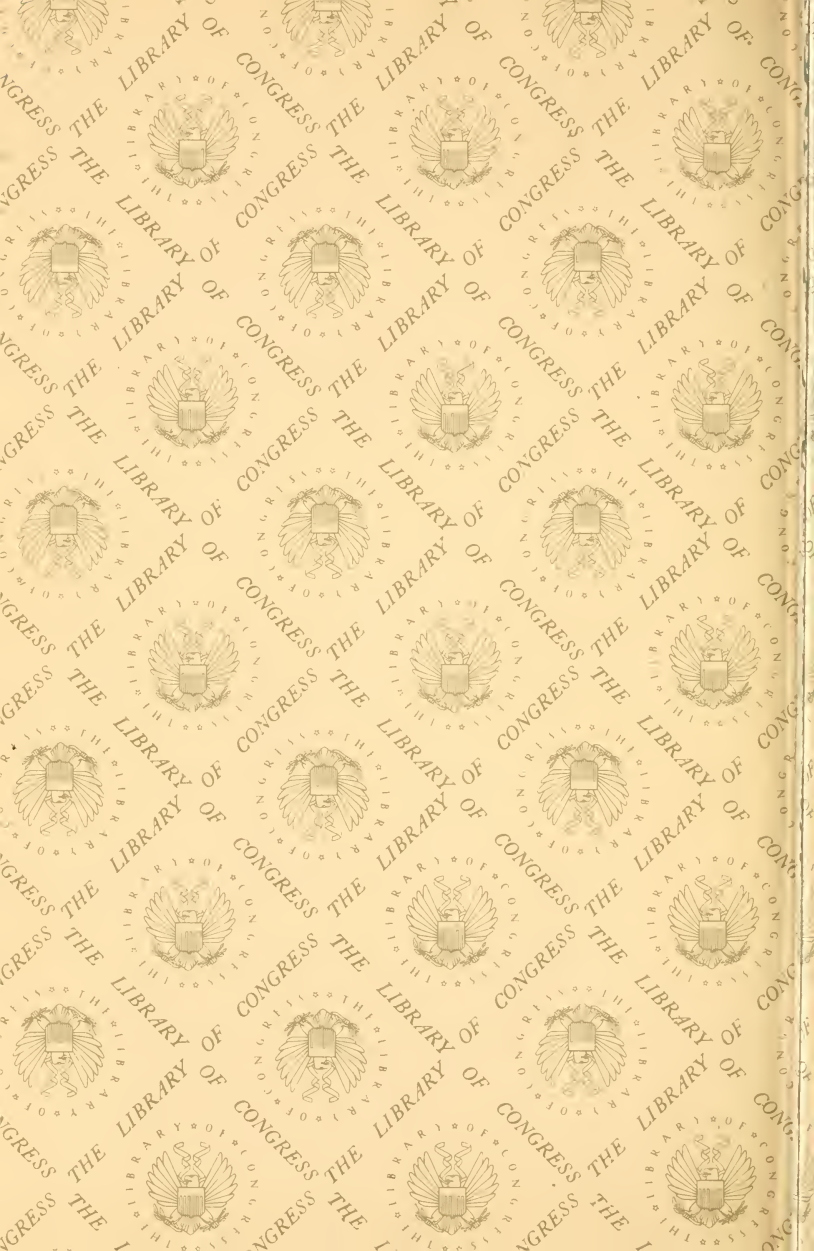
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